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DR. JOHN D. FREEMAN

Dr. Freeman Accepts Home Board Post

Dr. John D. Freeman, editor of the Western Recorder of Louisville, Kentucky, will assume the position of field worker in the country church work of the Home Mission Board, February 1, Dr. J. B. Lawrence, executive secretary-treasurer, has announced.

Dr. Freeman was elected by the board at its annual meeting in November.

A native of Arkansas, Dr. Freeman holds a bachelor's degree from the University of Arkansas, a master's degree from Trinity College (now Duke University), and doctor of divinity degrees from Union University and

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The End of State Shintoism in Japan

Baker Analyzes Significance Of Sweeping American Directive

By Richard T. Baker
Religious News Service Correspondent

Tokyo—Christians and Buddhists expressed gratification here over General Douglas MacArthur's directive ousting Shintoism as a state-supported religion and decreeing freedom for all religious sects in Japan.

Under the American commander's directive, the state can no longer use Shinto as a test of good citizenship, compel attendance and offerings at Shinto shrines, or teach Shinto doctrines in schools. All religious discriminations are legally banned.

Through skillful use of Shinto mythology and ethics stressing Japan's divine creation, deification of the emperor, and complete devotion to the nation as a primary moral

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How To Have Peace In Our Time

Merrill D. Moore

Three pictures coming out of World War II are indelibly stamped on many of our minds. First, there was the lone baby in a bombed-out Chinese railway station, weeping for its parents who were no more—a picture of the personal tragedy of war. Second, there was the miles high pillar of smoke, dust and debris mushrooming from atom-bombed Hiroshima—a picture of the wholesale destructiveness of war's forces. But the third is one of the most tragic we have seen at all: the tall, thin man, who as he stepped out of his plane at the London airport, reported his meeting with the German Fuehrer in the Bavarian city of Munich, waved a

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The Washington Review

Did the church influence Congress in 1945? Yes, undoubtedly.

Through use of the right of petition, church groups and religious organizations by the hundreds made known the will of their members to the men who pass our nation's laws. Just how great was the influence in any particular instance, no observer could rightly say, but that the influence was always perceptible can hardly be doubted.

Specifically, it seems apparent that religious influences made easier the path of legislation not only to appropriate new money for the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration this year, but to authorize appropriation of a much greater

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Japanese Christian Refutes Charge Against Kagawa

By Clarence W. Hall
Religious News Service Correspondent

Okinawa—An indignant challenge to recent reports that Toyohiko Kagawa, noted Japanese Christian leader, has been used for the broadcasting of anti-American propaganda was made by a fellow Japanese Christian who, with other civil authorities on Okinawa, is now in the custody of U. S. Army intelligence officers.

When told of Kagawa's alleged broadcasts, this official, whose identity cannot be revealed for security reasons, disclosed that his friendship with the Christian leader extends over a quarter of a century, and that he has maintained close contact with him throughout the war.

The official stated: "I seriously question the veracity of any report

\$5,000 Gift To Cole Brothers Foundation

The Mississippi Baptist Foundation has received a check for \$5,000 from Cole Brothers of Philadelphia and Canton, which when added to the initial gift of \$15,000 will bring the total to \$20,000 in this worthwhile philanthropy. The interest on the principal amount will be used in training students in Mississippi College in church organization and administration.

The generous spirit of these outstanding Christian laymen will prove a blessing to many of our fine ministerial students.

The movement which Cole Brothers have initiated will be an inspiration through all the years to others of like mind, interest and purpose.

When A Church Takes Stock

William P. Phillips

Introspection or self-examination, taking stock of oneself is an interesting procedure. Likewise it is true with business concerns and institutions. Such process is sometimes indicated as "taking stock." This is effected in order to discover one's assets or capital. It provides an accurate picture of the true condition, and in some cases, the solvency of the business or institution. It is thus enabled to determine its capital.

In the case of a church our concern would not be its financial condition, but rather its membership which is really its capital stock.

1. Its Church Roll

When a church proceeds to take stock, its source is its roll of church

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DR. C. OSCAR JOHNSON

Dr. C. Oscar Johnson, Third Baptist Church, St. Louis, Missouri, is a featured out-of-state speaker at the Mississippi Baptist Evangelistic Conference, Clinton, February 25-28, 1946. He will bring strong evangelistic messages at inspirational hours. Pastors and laymen, men and women, boys and girls, are invited to attend all services.

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A Catechism Of Bible Teaching

Lesson I. God

1. Who is God? God is the only Being that has always existed, and He is the Creator and Preserver of all things.

2. How do we know that God exists? We know that God exists from the worlds He has made, and from our own sense of right and wrong; and the Bible above all tells us of God.

3. Have men any reason for denying God's existence? It is foolish and wicked to say there is no God. Ps. 14:1; Rom. 1:20.

4. How may we learn the character of God? We learn the character of God partly from His works, mainly from His Word.

5. What does God know? God knows all things, even the secrets of our hearts; God is omniscient. Heb. 4:13; Eccles. 12:14.

6. What power has God? God has all power God is omnipotent.

7. Where is God? God is everywhere, and all things are present to Him; God is omnipresent. Gen. 16:13; Ps. 139:7.

8. What do we know of the holiness of God? God is perfectly holy; the angels praise Him as holy. Isa. 6:3; Rev. 4:8.

9. Is God just? God is always perfectly righteous and just. Ps. 145:17.

10. Is God loving and good? God is love, and He is good to all. I John

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paper, and said to the cheering thousands "Now, we have peace in our time!" But the memory of that picture gives us a sick feeling, as we remember how the high hopes of the world for "peace in our time" were dashed to earth in a global blood-bath not many months after.

"Peace in our time!"—the second grandest dream of mankind in history. . . . Dumbarton Oaks, San Francisco, United Nations Organization—these are but a few of the words around which gather our hopes and aspirations. Will this become reality, or will it rise to mock our blasted hopes like the words of Chamberlain when he, too, dared declare, "Now, we have peace in our time?"

I. If we are to have peace in our time we must have a new cooperation for peace. Nations must cooperate in a measure that to date has only been a vision. Individuals must cooperate for peace. Christians must cooperate for peace. As the atomic bomb was not developed by one man or a group of men, but by the greatest scientists of all nations, Germany included, working together on a common objective over a period of a half-century, so will the achievement of peace come only after the greatest minds of all the nations of the world, and the common people of all the nations of the world, work together intelligently and untiringly for peace.

II. But we Christians know that we must have a new morality if we are to enjoy "peace in our time." The world is afraid. But it is not afraid of the atomic bomb, but of the people, and what they will do with the bomb. Mutual confidence is now the bottleneck of peace, and we shall not have essential mutual confidence until men know that those with whom one deals are of such character that they merit confidence. James wrote, "Whence come wars and fightings among you? Come they not hence, even of your lusts that war in your members" (James 4:1). Wars on the national level are like strife on the home and community level. Their roots are laid in breaches of moral law. In all these levels—home, community, state, nation, world—our greatest need is not a stronger police force but better men and better morality.

III. God has given us the grace to know that if we are to have a new morality, we have a new spirituality. Riding decently on the Pan-American, a young scientist, a radar specialist connected with the war department, was seated at the same breakfast table. He recited some of the great and terrible wonders achieved by man in his scientific work during these war years. For example, he said that we now have the know-how for peacetime freight-carrying rocket space-ships, controlled entirely by radio and followed in his flight on a radar screen, which can carry 100 tons of freight from the Nashville airport to the London airport in one hour's time! This young scientist said: "Man has, on the one hand, his scientific life, and on the other hand, his moral and spiritual life. Man, in his moral and spiritual development, is one thousand years behind his scientific development!"

I swallowed. I flushed. I started to say, "You are wrong!" but the words would not come out, for I remembered that though we have trained men to work scientific miracles, they cannot control their hearts, and though a man is able to release atomic power, he is unable to restrain his greed!

IV. And again, we cannot be blind

to the fact that this demands a new evangelism. "Peace" is only a sounding term until the Prince of Peace rules in men's hearts. "Cooperation," "morality," "spirituality," "peace"—all are idle dreams apart from Jesus and His redeeming grace.

V. And if we are to have peace, we must also have a new missionary impetus. A lieutenant commander in the United States Navy, with headquarters in Washington but with duties that caused him to cover the nation, recently said to the other teachers in the Junior Department of our Sunday school: "With the atomic bomb we have now two alternatives: on the one hand utter, complete annihilation of all that gathers in the term 'civilization,' and on the other hand, giving Christ and His message of regeneration and love to the entire world. There is, as I see it, no middle ground. To put it on the lowest possible basis, if we believe in self-preservation, we had better be busy, sending missionaries with the message of Christ to all the nations—and that, fast! It is later than we think!"

VI. But peace is like happiness: it is a by-product. One does not set out, saying, "Today I shall secure happiness," nor can one say "we shall set out and achieve peace," for it is indeed a by-product of all these things we have considered above. At Copperhill, Tennessee, the fumes from the smelting of copper killed all vegetation and left death, destruction, and erosion in its stead, until after much effort scientists learned to utilize the fumes to make commercially valuable sulphuric acid as a by-product of the smelting process. I am told that now, not only has the destructive force of the fumes been harnessed, but that the acid by-product is worth more in dollars and cents than the copper produced.

We look forward to that glorious day when the by-products of a new co-operation, a new morality, a new spirituality, a new evangelism, and a new missionary impetus will harness the death and destruction of war, and bring a peace of such precious value that all the world's gold shall be as a mere speck in comparison.—But—by-products are not accidents!

—BR— THE WASHINGTON REVIEW (Continued from Page One)

sum for the next fiscal year.

The voice of religious groups—faintly at times, more loudly at others—also has influenced thinking in Congress on universal military training legislation, disposition of the atomic bomb, federal aid to hospital legislation, federal aid to schools, the school lunch program, and other subjects.

"Congressmen read all their mail," said one cynical reporter. "They read mail from ministers and church representatives carefully."

American-Vatican Relations

There'll be no noticeable change in 1946 in American-Vatican relations.

President Truman, caught between the constant opposition of American Baptists and other church groups to any type of representation at the Holy See and gentle Roman Catholic prodding for full-scale representation there, will likely leave things as are.

Unbeknownst to reporters, Myron C. Taylor, the President's personal representative at the Vatican, returned to his post there last month. He had been resting in this country, rumored in ill health.

Harold H. Tittman, Jr., counselor of the American representation at the Vatican, is reported to have left Rome December 13 for Washington (by plane).

Of course, elevation of four more American archbishops to the rank of

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members. Out of an extensive and varied experience in the study of church rolls it is interesting the way some churches keep them. Often it has been said, many are "wonderfully and fearfully" kept. Some are difficult to locate. The manner in which they are kept varies. Some churches have the record of members in a book; others in a card index file. It is not so much how but the accuracy of the roll of members.

In small churches it is usually left to the church clerk. In larger churches where there is an office and a secretary it is done by such worker in co-operation with the church clerk.

The church's record should be so kept as to indicate the member's relationship to Sunday school, Training Union, W. M. U., Brotherhood and financial support of the church. Death, removals, dismissals, marriages, or any other changes should promptly be noted. The Sunday school and other church agencies should possess an accurate list of names of resident church members not identified with these agencies. A separate roll of non-resident members should be kept and every effort should be made to contact them periodically and their addresses kept up-to-date.

2. Its Neglected People

The members of churches who are non-resident are a sadly neglected group. "Out of sight—out of mind," surely characterizes the attitude of our churches toward them. Very few of our churches likely ever contact them. They are gone and mean little or nothing to them. Their names are transferred from the active roll and are "dead" as far as the church is concerned.

Some churches periodically write them expressing the hope that their absence is only temporary, sending them the church bulletin regularly. They are regularly urged to affiliate with a church in the community there if their removal is permanent. These contacts with them is a vital ministry and should definitely be maintained. It is a reminder to them of their Christian obligation and stewardship.

Then there is the large group of resident members unidentified with any of the church's ministries. Unless identified with some agency of the church little is known about them. The pastor cannot contact all of them. Unless the responsibility is assigned to some church agency there is little chance of it being done. Likely this agency should be the Sunday school.

One church through its Sunday school went after its resident members for Bible study. Membership in the Sunday school is the surest guarantee of their enlistment in other phases of church life.

3. Its Immediate Responsibility

Few church buildings today could adequately house and care for their own resident members who are not enrolled in Sunday school. Yet many of these churches undertake an enlargement campaign with a religious census. Every church should take a religious census once a year in order to know its total possibilities and responsibility. Only in this way can the unsaved people and unaffiliated church members be located.

cardinal hardly could be viewed as anything but a further strengthening of American-Vatican ties.

One church participating in an inside enlargement campaign discovered that 342 of its 762 resident members were not members of its Sunday school, the enrollment of which was 670. The enlistment of the 342 resident members in Sunday school would mean a 50 per cent gain.

It has been demonstrated regularly that since fully 95 per cent of these unenlisted members are adults, their enlistment means the coming of one other for every one reached and enrolled. Herein lies a superlative opportunity for Sunday school enlargement.

4. Its Positive Assets

When a church takes stock of its membership, it will find that its resident church members who are not enrolled in its Sunday school are positive assets. Really, they are hidden assets. Rarely are they ever seen in any of the activities of the church. Occasionally they may attend the morning worship services, or perhaps they may be seen on such special occasions as Easter Sunday or Mother's Day. Rarely are they visited other than for a financial consideration. It is wonderful to contemplate and analyze the "frozen" assets of one great church with two thousand resident members not enrolled in its Sunday school. They will continue to remain "frozen" until "thawed out" through Bible study in the Sunday school.

Our Sunday schools cannot enlarge without additional officers, teachers and equipment. These hundreds of church members not identified with our Sunday schools are assets that must be tapped before it can be done. They are our only available source of supply. Their interest and response will not be aroused until the need is seen. Bible study is really the answer. In knowing who and where these people are and a visit to them is very revealing. Great numbers of them are as able and even superior in any phase of church service as those already enlisted. But they must be gone after and enlisted just as was done for those now in service.

5. Its Physical Needs

When a church takes stock of its membership, it provides itself with an accurate gauge as to its physical needs. In every instance when a church surveys its church roll it invariably discovers its inability to house all of its church members should they actually attend its Sunday school. A church should measure its physical needs in the light of its possibilities. A survey of the church roll and a religious census articulates the deficiency of most of our churches at this point. Dozens of Sunday schools in a survey of the church roll discover that fully 95 per cent of the church members not enrolled in Sunday school are adults. They would start more classes and additional departments so greatly needed for them but have no place for them in or out of the present building. Today, as never before, a church must take stock of its building in the light of its total possibilities and the trends and development for adults in Southern Baptist Sunday schools.

It is wonderfully revealing when an individual or institution takes stock of its strength, powers and resources. To Southern Baptist churches may I say, "Awake! Awake! Put on thy strength." "Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thy habitations; spare not, lengthen thy cords and strengthen thy stakes."

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Miss Emma B. Browne, who originated the T. E. L. idea and organized the first T. E. L. Sunday school class over 40 years ago, in the First Baptist Church, Memphis, Tennessee, will celebrate her 92nd birthday on January 30 at her home, 436 North Bellevue Blvd., Memphis 7, Tenn. It would be a gracious thing if members of T. E. L. classes throughout our state would remember this aged saint of God with greetings on that date.

Mississippi Baptists---Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails," 1 Cor. 13:8

"We preach Christ Crucified." 1 Corinthians 1:23.

Here it is! Many have been longing, hoping and waiting for it! We refer to "The Buddy Plan"! We are sending out some tens of thousands of envelopes which will probably more than any other one step in the Mississippi College Enlargement Campaign determine the success of this campaign! Offerings through these envelopes will count on church and associational quotas. This step will not hurt the budget in anybody's church but rather help it. We must stop shielding some people in their covetousness. God Almighty intended for Baptists to be big! We beg you with your whole heart to have a part in this plan! Let us end this campaign and turn to other things! We count on Baptists who count!

I

Miss Roma Jones goes into the Convention Board bookkeeping department. We expect her to strengthen this already efficient department.

Mrs. L. R. Williams goes into the mailing department. We have known these two excellent workers since coming years ago as pastor in Jackson.

Miss Ernestine Cooper, Morton, recently graduated from Mississippi College, comes to us as an office secretary. We have never had enough personnel to adequately care for the work of this office. This has been true because of the rapid growth of the work, additional departments being placed upon the executive secretary, and the fact that we were cautious in adding personnel.

These are a few progressive steps in something of a reorganization and strengthening of the work as we have adequate space now in the Baptist Building.

Each department of the work carries duties peculiar to that department. While each department supports all the work each one has a work all of its own. The Sunday school department promotes Sunday school work, et cetera.

This keeps that department busy—full time. The editorial and circulation departments of The Baptist Record constitute the single exception of more than one primary work to the department, namely, two.

With these things being true, imagine then the press upon the office of the executive secretary with heavy correspondence about the work, promoting all the work, Cooperative Program, evangelism, stewardship, retirement plans, bookkeeping, finances, personnel, supervise "keep" of Baptist Building, purchasing supplies and equipment, special campaigns, Baptist Record business management including bookkeeping, finances, mailing and advertising, printing tracts and annuals, associations, conferences, revivals, conventions, pulpit supply, personnel, contacting periodically and repeatedly 800 pastors, 1600 churches, Southwide institutions, et cetera.

No "mercy" is asked, no pity is expected—just a continuation of that old-fashioned Mississippi sympathetic understanding!

As reviewed recently in this column the bookkeeping department work has been done largely by one person through the years. When she has been out for sickness or other reasons the procedure "bogged down." We have waited on balancing the books, writing checks, making remittances, et cetera. We are now taking some forward steps so that the work in this department will not depend upon any one person. This is another forward movement in organization and service!

II

Considering the volume of mail the U. S. Postal Service delivers for this office, we feel that mighty few letters are lost. At the same time we realize that the post office does not lose all the letters that get misplaced. Once in a great while we do not doubt but that they are misplaced in the homes or church offices receiving them. Sometimes they may be lost between the post office and the destination. We recently wrote a Convention official for an item and he stated our letter was not received. A pastor states that he did not get a letter of invitation that was sent from this office. A nearby pastor was written about deferring a service due to Enlargement Campaign commitments. This pastor stated the letter did not arrive. Three pastors have written stating that they had not received application blanks that were sent from this office. Occasionally this office commits an omission on its own part. We make no claim of perfection. We do appreciate the efforts of our helpers whom we know to be efficient and loyal. We try to maintain the same spirit in these matters that we would want others to maintain toward us. Matthew 7:12.

III

Professor M. P. L. Berry, in charge of placing married students, told us during a recent evening that registrations had been in such large volume it looked like they are going to have to start "placing them in attics." This is pleasing to all of us, as Mississippi College suffered depleted ranks during the war as did all colleges with male students. It is our opinion that probably Mississippi College did not suffer as large losses proportionately as did some of our state schools. We now need more of the spirit of Christ, more constructive talking, more spiritual praying, more working and giving toward making Mississippi College the sort of school the Lord Jesus would have it be.

Approximately 100 new students have enrolled at Mississippi College for the new term and they will keep coming. Another source of gratification is the return of Coach Robinson and Coach Landrum. With Professor Strange, who "held forth" in this department during the absence of the other two athletes, students coming to Mississippi College may expect and get the best sort of tutelage. They are three of the finest, the most popular and most efficient we know.

IV

Mississippi Baptists should hurry in ending successfully the Mississippi College Enlargement Campaign. This will create testimony honoring Christ! It is not a good sign when parents have to be begged to support a child. "If any provide not for his own house, he hath denied the faith and is worse

than an infidel." 1 Timothy 5:8. It will add to Baptists' good name! It will continue the spirit of Victory! Jesus did not die for His people to live defeated lives! It will mean more mothers' sons and daughters having rightful opportunities!

We want to complete this task and lay it aside! We will then turn altogether to the "preaching year," the 100,000 tithers campaign, the civic righteousness emphasis and all the rest of the issues pressing in upon us.

We definitely feel this office should not lead constantly in special money raising campaigns. Dr. Gunter came at us in a way we found difficult to refuse. We are indebted to Mississippi College as are many others—preachers and laymen! The trustees to a man asked us to do it! We definitely said we would NOT unless it was made unanimous! Lastly, we feel led of the Lord in the matter! One cannot go wrong there!

We do hope capital needs of institutions may be cared for soon and then let us go down the Cooperative Program road together—and strong!

We do not worship the Cooperative Program! It is no fetish, no charm—but, the best spiritual channel for monies helping all His work we know anything about!

We would not rule out all special offerings! They are spiritual—in Old Testament and New Testament! One may have too much of a good thing—work, rest, play, sleep, sugar, dessert, meat, et cetera.

We may end this enlargement campaign within a matter of days if thousands of us do OUR PART through "My Envelope" and "Buddy Envelope." If you did not get one and want to use one, write this office! It will be sent PRONTO!

"Like a mighty army moves the church of God—" How do you and your church move?

V

Mississippi Baptists will be interested in the very fine State Mission testimony by Dr. Brown, pastor, concerning the work of the Soldier Center at First Baptist Church, Hattiesburg. The testimony follows:

"Mrs. Black has done a most excellent job. God alone can measure the value or extent of her work. Many men found Christ at the Center through her personal testimony; many were helped through difficult times by her wise counselling; others were set right as to wrong habits. Thousands of men passed through the Center and were blessed by its ministry. There are graves on foreign soil today where boys sleep who found Christ here. Much more might be said, but enough has been said for you to know that the work of Mrs. Black and those who were associated with her here has been of highest value to the many who have been served by the Center.

"Please express my appreciation to the board for its support of the work. Your cooperation and that of Bro. Langley has been equally appreciated by us all."

Correction: Dr. B. B. Hilbun, Laural, writes that Second Avenue Baptist Church baptized seventy-two persons last year. We are happy to make this correction. Incidentally we have found that each of the half dozen mistakes reported were made in the associational minutes and not by our office or by our printer.

My attention has just been called to the fact that in the issue of The Baptist Record, December 20, on pages 13 and 14 Union Association in Southwest Mississippi and Union County Association in North Mississippi were switched. The Mississippi College Enlargement Campaign quota for Union County Association is \$16,988, whereas, the quota of Union Association is \$1,295.

VI

We have a limited supply of the following very fine printed materials: (1) A beautiful two-color tithing sheet, 8½x11 inches. This is one of the most emphatic statements on scriptural giving we have seen; (2) the tract, "Revivals of the Southern Armies," is nothing short of spiritual romance. You will enjoy reading it; (3) "Christ in the Wards"—the needs of the mentally sick and the story of how Mississippi Baptists serve them through State Missions. There is nothing else exactly like it, and (4) "Our First Task," the story of God's greatest followers throughout Mississippi. It is a part of the Great Commission. Read it.

One or more of these materials may be had by merely dropping us a line stating to us the number of each you desire.

We have received to this date the following 1945 Association Minutes: Chickasaw, DeSoto, Grenada, Holmes, Lee, Madison, Marshall, Panola, Pike, Simpson and Walthall. That gives us eleven out of the 71 associations. Your prompt cooperation in sending your associational minutes to this office will be keenly appreciated, in that daily we are called upon to give out information with reference to church pastorates, gifts, Sunday schools, Baptist Training Unions, Brotherhood, W. M. U., Baptist Foundation, B. S. U., and so on. We bind these minutes annually and keep them for permanent use for this office and for friends who come in seeking information about different associations. They are a part of your work—please help us to keep them up-to-date in every way.

In San Andres Timilpan, a village in the state of Mexico the corpse of a Protestant child was recently dug up by a Catholic mob two days after burial and thrown away. This is the latest chapter in religious persecution in the village. The incident occurred after the local priest, Arnulfo Hurtado, had preached a sermon in which he declared that a Protestant child was unworthy of inter-

ment in the cemetery and should have been thrown into the river instead. He sternly rebuked Catholics for having permitted the burial of a "heretic" in a sacred place. The mob did not wait to think, and the corpse of little Catalina Rafael was disposed of in some way that has not yet been discovered by the family.—The Christian Century.

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TWO ENVELOPES

Two envelopes are being mailed to more than 50,000 Mississippi Baptists. With the envelopes is a letter from Dr. D. A. McCall, campaign chairman for the Mississippi College Enlargement Campaign, asking the recipients of the two envelopes to make an over and above offering for the Mississippi College Enlargement Campaign and to get one other person to do likewise.

The amount needed to complete the campaign for \$637,000 is approximately \$400,000. If everyone were equally able and generous, four dollars from the recipients of the envelope and four dollars from some friend (in the second envelope) would produce necessary a mount. Needless to say, not every envelope will be returned and many that are returned will not contain as much as four dollars.

May we urge those who receive an envelope to go the limit. Put enough money in your envelope to make up for some who will give nothing and for others who will give little, either because of inability to give or because of a stingy streak. Let those of us who can, give for those who can't, and let those of us who are willing, give for those who are unwilling.

Don't let the envelopes go unused.

THANKS ARE DUE THE CONVENTION BOARD MEMBERS

How often we take familiar things for granted. Many men and women serve our denomination in various ways, putting time, talent and money into many divisions of our work.

We doubt that very many of the more than 300,000 Baptists in Mississippi ever think of the time being given to kingdom affairs

by the members of our Convention Board and the Executive committee, which is composed of nine members of the Convention Board.

During 1945 the Convention Board met for the annual meeting and for a called meeting to consider the purchase of the Baptist Building. The regular meeting takes two to three days of a member's time. Many of the committees work until late hours during the regular meeting.

In order to attend the regular meeting some members must spend two nights on the train, and two days and one night in Jackson. Others, who live nearby, spend one night and two days in Jackson. Mississippi Baptists are due a hearty vote of thanks to these men who leave their work and business to plan for God's business.

And the members of the Executive Committee give even more time. Last year the Executive Committee met four times in addition to the meetings held in connection with the Convention Board meetings. For an Executive Committee meeting, some members are required to spend two nights on the train and one night and one day in Jackson. Others drive long distances and spend one night and one day in Jackson.

For the four meetings of the Executive Committee last year, some members spent eight nights on the train and four days in Jackson. Others spent as much as two days in auto travel and four days in Jackson.

For the Baptists of Mississippi, we say, "Thank you."

INFORMATION WANTED

The Baptist Record is compiling a list of churches that reached their quota of baptisms during the Southern Baptist Centennial Evangelistic Crusade in 1945. Any church reaching the quota should write The Baptist Record at once.

ADVICE FOR YOUNG PREACHERS

Dear Brother Goodrich:

I wonder when some of our younger ministers will learn that their obligation to the churches that call them are a responsibility and not just the means to an end.

Perhaps a kind, but constructively critical, word through the columns of the Record might cause some of them to think AND PRAY before they would act in the manner one of them has recently been known to do.

There recently came to one of our Mississippi schools a young pracher lad, transferring from an-

other state, seeking pastorates to give him an income for his education. At the time he was in dire financial straits. The case came to the attention of the writer and attempts were made to locate him in one or more pastorates. His evangelistic and preaching record was good. He pleased the congregations before whom he preached. He was called to two vacant pastorates in my county and within the brief period of two months he and his wife had been given suitable "poundings" and cash donations by individuals and his churches to give him a good start and ease his financial burden. Even in the days of tire rationing some tires were provided to alleviate his "tire trouble." One pastor in the county went out of his way to see that this fellow's name was mentioned before other churches, and even engaged him to supply his pulpit during an absence, paying the supply fee well in advance of the date. The fellow didn't even show up for the supply but did manage to send a fellow student.

Now, and as a last straw, the fellow "pulls up stakes" in the county where he had been befriended by churches and individuals and accepts a call in another county in a pastorate that can pay a bit more than he was receiving here. All this in a space of two months.

No one who has befriended the young preacher is begrudging him the opportunity to advance, nor of the help rendered him, but everyone connected with the situation does feel that the salary call was put head of the Lord's call and that he had not helped the cause of other young men who may be in like condition.

Rural churches, regardless of size and status, are entitled to the best leadership as well as the city cathedrals and it is incidents like this that hinders the cause of the Kingdom and retards the advance of too many country churches who are honestly eager for spiritual leadership.

Perhaps a few well chosen editorial words from you might reach the right eyes and prevent a like occurrence.

Sincerely yours,

A PASTOR.

THE ROAD TO HAPPINESS

In Micah 6:8 we find these words, "He hath showed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God."

God plainly tells us in His book what is good and wherein we may find true happiness. It is the requirement of God that we shall

do for Him and devote ourselves to His service. That is good within itself.

The first requirement set forth in Micah 6:8 is to do justly, that is we must do wrong to none, but right to all. Then we must love mercy, not only be just to all with whom we deal, but find to all that need us.

We are admonished to walk humbly with God. If we walk humbly with Him, we must do the things that are pleasing in His sight. We must make it our business to commune with God to learn of Him and to follow His leading.

Selected Editorial

Each week we will publish what we consider one of the best editorials coming to our attention.—
Editor.

MR. BARKER'S REVELATION

The Rev. Paul Barker, pastor of the United Baptist Church at Saco, Maine, had an article in a recent issue of The Watchman-Examiner, under the caption "The Trend Away from Immersion." In his article the statement was made that "In some states as many as one-third of the Baptist churches accept members who have not been immersed. At first, nearly all such churches begin harmlessly by accepting non-immersed members under the guise of associate membership. As time goes on, new accessions from non-immersing denominations are more boldly accepted into regular membership. The transition has been slow and few persons are aware of the total change which has been effected." We were shocked to learn that the practice referred to by Mr. Barker had gone so far, although we knew that some churches had introduced the innovation of associate membership.

The purpose we have in mind is to call the attend of our Maryland churches to the obvious need of being careful when persons coming from churches outside of our own Convention apply for membership, to make sure that they had been immersed on profession of faith. Failing to do this might easily result in the gradual infiltration of persons who have not obeyed Christ by submitting themselves to scriptural baptism.

The hope is expressed that the situation described by Mr. Barker will not become true in Maryland. To permit of such a thing among us could, in our opinion, lead toward the disintegration of New Testament churches. It would seem to be the moral obligation of churches having associate
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MR. BARKER'S REVELATION

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members, or members in full standing (although not immersed), to make a clear statement of that fact in letters of dismission given to such persons, thus enabling our churches to decide intelligently upon their duty in the matter.—The Maryland Baptist.

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THE END OF STATE SHINTOISM IN JAPAN

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tenet, militarists and ultra-nationalists erected an effective ideology to bulwark imperialistic schemes. It is this ideology which is now being broken.

General MacArthur's directive prohibits the sponsorship, support, perpetuation, control and dissemination of Shinto by government and officials and separates militarism from Shinto doctrines.

Shinto Shrines Suffer Setback

Shinto shrines which received public funds and compelled gifts from the people suffer a setback, but it is believed the purely religious aspects of the faith will prosper. Shinto priests, said one of their spokesmen, will gladly give up state support in exchange for freedom of religion.

State Shinto, or spiritualized patriotism, is only 75 years old in Japan. It is a clever hoax whereby empire builders' propaganda convinced the Japanese people that Shinto is inseparable from Japanese history and tradition.

Shinto is an indigenous religion of Japan, while Buddhism and Christianity were imported. As a simple faith, Shinto stressed the myths of divine creation and morality and filial loyalty. Sectarian Shinto maintained this simple faith and its doctrines are not molested.

Shrine Shinto, however, by which the Japanese were trained to believe there is no difference between being Japanese and being Shinto, has had its wings clipped.

During the past 75 years Shrine Shinto persecuted and eradicated sects of Shinto which taught doctrines varying even by a shade from the official government line, but these sects are most likely to show a strong revival, as simple faith is deeply rooted in the people.

Christianity Gains Most

Christianity, being a minority religion with about 400,000 adherents, gains most from the new freedom and protection. Some Japanese correspondents hold that the new directives are an effort to encourage Christianity over Shinto.

Such is not the case. "All creeds, religions and faiths, are placed on exactly the same legal basis," said Brigadier General Ken R. Dyke, chief of the civilian information and education section of Allied headquarters. "The Shinto sect will continue to enjoy the same protection and freedom as any other religion. Shinto shrines that have a real religious following will be able to exist on voluntary contributions."

Nothing is said in General MacArthur's directive regarding the emperor himself, who is the Shinto high priest and focal point of reverence. But it was explained by Brig. Gen. Dyke that the emperor's private religion and his subjects' respect for him as head of the state is not mo-

PASTOR CHAIRMEN MEET!

The seven pastor chairmen in the Mississippi College Enlargement Campaign held their second meeting in the office of the executive secretary at the Baptist Building, Tuesday evening, January 8. Each one made a report on the work done, problems faced, and victories won. The executive secretary states that it was one of the most interesting meetings he has ever attended.

Neshoba County Association was reported as the first to attain their quota. Since this was largely by contributions by two families and two churches, it is expected that this surplus will grow as other families and churches add their offerings.

Greene County Association was reported as being only \$100 from reaching their quota, while Walthall Association was lacking only \$700.

At least one-third of the associations of the state have already accepted their quotas.

An official report from Jackson committee showed them to have \$130,000 in cash or pledges, with most of it in cash. In addition Clinton reported \$18,000 mostly in cash, with some pledges.

The Convention Board office has just given to Mississippi College a check for \$18,000 representing monies recently received. Two similar checks, one for \$5,000 and another for \$6,000 had been handed them a few days ago.

Thus, with amounts in church budgets and voluminous receipts from the "Buddy Envelope" Plan, and other steps in the campaign work, we feel success may be attained within the next few weeks.

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Emperor May Report to Ancestors

As an individual, the emperor can go to Ise to report to his ancestors and make gifts to shrines, but Dyke indicated that budgetary control of the imperial household might restrain excessive grants.

Military-manufactured Shinto, dating from about 1870, claimed the Japanese were of divine descent and therefore superior, that the emperor came in lineal descent from the sun goddess and therefore had a divine right to rule all lands and peoples. No variance from official beliefs were permitted except by special permit. The government issue textbooks and commentaries expounding the faith. The circulation of these volumes is now banned, and new textbooks will be prepared.

With this creed the government began the systematic indoctrination of all Japan. Priests were under government control and shrines were organized systematically from small local shrines to the chief shrine at Ise.

Religious Instruction Banned In 1899

In 1899 the government banned all religious instruction in schools and then insisted state Shinto was not a religion and made instruction in its doctrines compulsory. Through textbooks, indoctrinated teachers, impressive ceremonies, all the threads of Shinto's nationalistic policies were woven in the students' minds, producing submissiveness in everything the government did. Thus, Shinto in Japan has been used to bring militarists to power and to lead the nation to aggressive wars.

The American command's sweeping directive was prepared on the basis of research made by naval Lieutenant William K. Bunce, former dean of Otterbein College at Westerville, Ohio, and now in charge of religious matters in the section headed by Brigadier General Dyke.

DR. FREEMAN ACCEPTS HOME BOARD POST

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Ouachita College. He has also studied at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

The board's new field worker was pastor of churches in Kentucky and Tennessee, after which he served

Tennessee Baptists first as editor of the state paper and later as executive secretary of the State Mission Board. Since November, 1942, Dr. Freeman has been editor of the Western Recorder, Baptist state paper of Kentucky. He is the author of five books. Dr. Freeman will make his headquarters in Nashville, Tennessee.

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A CATECHISM OF BIBLE TEACHING

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4:8; Ps. 145:9.

11. Is God all love? God's justice is as truly a part of His nature as His love. Rev. 15:3.

12. How ought we to feel and act toward God? We ought to love God with all our heart and serve Him with all our powers. Deut. 6:5; I John 5:3.

13. Is it our duty to fear God? It is our duty to obey God in filial fear, and to fear His wrath if we sin. Eccles. 12:13; Heb. 10:31.

Advanced Questions

(a) May little children easily recognize that there is a God? Young children often think and speak about God. Ps. 8:2; Matt. 21:16.

(b) How do many persons practically deny that there is a God? People practically deny that there is a God by living as if He did not exist.

(c) Why is it wrong to use images of God in worship? Men would worship the image instead of God, and so God has positively forbidden such use of images. Ex. 20:4, 5; Rom. 1:23, 25.

(d) Is it possible for God to do wrong? For God to do wrong would be contrary to His very nature; He cannot deny Himself. 2 Tim. 2:13.

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RESOLUTIONS

Whereas, Rev. J. L. Moore has faithfully and conscientiously served Yockanookany Baptist Church of Attala county, as pastor for 13 years; and

Whereas, because of excessive pastoral duties he was forced to relinquish his work with us; and

Whereas, the church has been an instrument for good under his guidance; Now, therefore, be it resolved by the membership of Yockanookany Baptist Church, that this expression of our regret at his withdrawal, and thanks for his long years of service be sent to Brother Moore and a copy published in The Baptist Record.

Adopted by the church on December 23, 1945.

GOING PLACES

A. L. GOODRICH

Our Text: I Timothy 4:13a and 15b: "Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that thy profiting may appear to ALL." Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe."

THE LIST IS COMPLETE

With the recent receipt of an EVERY FAMILY list from the Mississippians at Southwestern Seminary, all three of the seminaries now have the EVERY FAMILY Plan for the Mississippians enrolled in Southwestern Seminary, Southern Seminary and Baptist Bible Institute.

The list from Southwestern was sent in by Mrs. W. F. Garner, whose husband went from the pastorate at Holcomb to Southwestern.

Mrs. Garner writes: "We Mississippians read with interest and deep concern about the progress of Mississippi Baptists as found in the Record. It is a necessary part of our lives."

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HOLLY BLUFF IS NUMBER 800

A recent addition to the EVERY FAMILY Plan list is Holly Bluff in Yazoo county. The treasurer, Mrs. Chas. Burks, sent a list of exactly fifty names of Holly Bluff members who are going to be better informed Baptists.

Baptist Record readers in Yazoo county are now listed as follows: ANDING 27, BENTONIA 46, BETHLEHEM 40, BLACK JACK 65, CONCORD 29, EDEN 26, HEBRON 46, LIVERPOOL 18, Melrose 4, OAK GROVE 20, OGDEN 35, OIL CITY 52, PROVIDENCE 17, Rocky Springs 10, SARTARTIA 16 YAZOO CITY FIRST 158, CENTER RIDGE 20, SHORT CREEK 20, Tensley 7.

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MULBERRY IS NUMBER 793

Another Montgomery county church has been added to the growing list of EVERY FAMILY churches. The latest church to adopt the EVERY FAMILY Plan is Mulberry church, Montgomery county.

A letter from J. A. Patridge, church clerk, brought a list of fifteen names. Other Baptist Record readers in the county are now listed as follows: BETHLEHEM 24, DUCKHILL 34, Eskridge 1, MILLIGAN SPRINGS 32, Poplar Springs 1, SCOTLAND 37, SHILOH 17, WINONA 152, Stewart 3, MULBERRY 16, MISSION 11, HAYS CREEK 31, Kilmichael 1, Lodi 1, Pine Forest 1.

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MURPHY'S CREEK COMES IN

Murphy's Creek church, Rev. F. H. Miller, pastor, now has 58 Baptist Records going into the homes of that church. Realizing the need of information for his members the pastor led them to make The Baptist Record a part of the program.

Baptist Record subscribers in Winston county are now listed as follows: BETHEL 38, CALVARY 30, ELLISON RIDGE 69, ENON 22, Hood Hope 12, Harmony 16, LIBERTY 35, LOUISVILLE FIRST 311, MURPHY'S CREEK 55, NOXAPATER 55, Oak Grove 11, POPLAR FLAT 18, SHILOH 32, Union Ridge 10, EAST LOUISVILLE 30, EVERGREEN 53, Holly Grove 9, MACEDONIA 44.

Woman's Missionary Union

President—Mrs. Webb Brame, Yazoo City Exec. Sec'y—Miss Edwina Robinson

One of the items in the Annie Armstrong Offering for Home Missions is providing for summer workers (chosen from seminary students, training school students and college students) in Home Mission fields. The article below is about the work of each such student from Blue Mountain College. These workers are approved and selected by our Home Mission Board.

A New Vision of Missions

When I left home on May 28, for San Antonio Texas, I was "launching out into the deep" so to speak. I had felt God's guidance in my going, but I had no idea what I would be doing. I had been assigned to work with the Mexican-Spanish speaking people around San Antonio. That is about all I knew. I suppose it was due to the fact that my faith in God was weak, but I had a slight fear as I went out to do my first work with the Home Mission Board.

During the workers' conference in San Antonio on May 30, which was attended by some 45 student workers, Dr. Courts Redford and other employees of the Home Mission Board, we learned something of what our work was to be, met our co-workers worker, it would have been meaningful for the summer and got materials for our Vacation Bible Schools. Most of the material was in Spanish, incidentally, and had it not been for my coless to me, since I had had no Spanish in school.

Our first school was not with the Mexican people at all, but in a negro church in Luling, Texas. The Mexican field was not quite ready for us, and there was a great need for workers in this negro church. We were happy to have this small part in the negro work. We enrolled about twenty children and had a good week with them, even though there were no professions of faith.

From Luling we went to San Marcos, Texas, to work in the Mexican Baptist Church. Fortunately, they knew more about the work there than others knew since they have had the privilege of having Rev. Jose Flores as a regular pastor for several years. During our two weeks' school there, we enrolled 64 children, of whom there were 25 Baptists, 25 Catholics and 15 from other denominations. We were interested to note the fine spirit of cooperation from our Catholic friends there. Some of our best pupils were Catholics, and on commencement night, several Catholic parents came to our program and expressed to us their gratitude for our coming. Some of them promised to start their children to Sunday school and spoke of how they loved the little choruses that we taught the children. We had 12 professions of faith there, of whom several were Catholics. One of the professions was from a boy from a very devout Catholic home. He had never been known to attend Protestant services before, but on decision day, he was one of the first to walk the aisle.

We had very interesting experiences in each of the five other schools that we held. In some places we faced strong Catholic opposition, but they were never able to entirely destroy our schools. In some places where the people had been educated against

us, we were not given a cordial welcome, but in most places the people accepted us with grateful hearts. I shall never forget how our Vacation Bible school children seemed to appreciate us and how much we learned to love them.

My eyes were opened in this work this summer to a mission field which I had never realized before. Truly, it is a great mission field, and there are seemingly few who are working in it. Everywhere we went we heard the same cry, "We need a missionary on the field." It almost broke our hearts to leave those places and our new converts without an under shepherd. In many of the places no organized Protestant work of any kind was being done even though there were hundreds of Mexican people in the town. There are great possibilities in those 34 converts that we reached, but they need training and more training. Many of the children knew nothing of the stories of the life of Christ as our Anglo children know them. Their not knowing caused them to say things about the Bible and to ask us questions that almost broke our hearts, and caused us to realize more and more our responsibility.

We met some wonderful Christian people among the Mexicans. We had the opportunity of attending a Baptist Mexican Encampment for two weeks where we met educated, consecrated Mexican people who are doing a great work for their people and their Christ. This encampment inspired us to go back to our fields and work even harder to win the lost there.

There are great opportunities in the Mexican work. They are a soul winning people. During last year one convert was reported for every 2.4 members in their churches and missions. The Home Mission Board is doing a great work among the people, but there are thousands yet to be reached. It is our responsibility to pray more, to work more, and to give more.

"Lift up your eyes and look on the fields; for they are white already unto harvest."—John 4:35.

CLYDE WHITESIDE.

Friends of Miss Juanita Byrd will be interested to know that she sailed on January 9 to resume her work in Shanghai, China. We will remember her in our prayers as she makes the trip and begins her work anew.

The writer of the following letter, E. J. Niedens, 972 Carolina street, San Francisco, Calif., was at one time a student at B. B. I. and helped us in our camps. He is now working among the Russians in California. Dear Miss Robinson:

By God's grace, I am safe, still in the old good U. S. A. but may depart for a few days to the north—Canada and come back again. We are applying for preexamination—we will be allowed to enter U. S. A. for permanent living. At present I am still carrying on the pastoral work at the First Baptist Church. I am so preoccupied with work that hardly have time for myself to study. At day time I work eight hours at Paint Factory—at the evening busy with meetings, visiting and so on. (I am not

A Tithing Testimony

By A Mississippi Pastor

At the time when our Mississippi Baptists are being challenged to tithing stewardship and a goal of one hundred thousand honest stewards is prayerfully planned for 1946, I feel constrained to offer my personal testimony to the blessings of the tithe. Because this testimony is to the glory of God and not for the edification of the writer it is best that the article remain anonymous even though the rules of journalism have been followed and the editor is aware of the writer's identity.

Some years ago after surrendering my heart and life to the Lord Jesus Christ and accepted the unmistakable call of the Holy Spirit to preach the Word I had the good fortune to hear a tithing sermon on the very first Sunday after my call to the ministry. The message impressed me and its impact upon my life was great. The familiar text of Malachi 3:10 stood out in bold relief against the graciousness of God and I promised Him I would faithfully "prove" Him. I have never been sorry; have never begrudged the "tithe" nor HAVE I EVER LOST ONE CENT. Nine-tenths with God has always proved sufficient to meet my obligations.

In these years of preaching I have had one mission pastorate and three full time pastorates. The first year of my tithing experience my income amounted to less than \$100 in cash (and that experience was only in the late '30's). My second pastorate paid me \$1200 per year as I continued tithing and learned the joy of "giving in grace" above my obligations of the tithe. The third pastorate brought a salary of \$2600, a new car "paid in full" and numerous other temporal benefits. At this writing I am enjoying the fourth pastorate and the salary has increased to \$4200 while my library has grown to nearly 1500 volumes.

Miss Edwina, I am writing this line because there is a great need of help to our suffering Russian Baptist members in Shanghai, China. We are doing all we can to give the relief—but it is not enough. We received few letters from the pastor of the church—he is saying all of his members (there are about 120 members not counting the children) are suffering from shortage of food. They do not ask money, no all they would like to have some canned food, milk, sugar, flour and secondly, clothing and shoes. He mentions for example some prices of the just common products, like bread, 1 pound 24,000 Shanghai dollars, sugar, one pound 200,000 Shanghai dollars and so on. It is terrible!

Please dear sister, I am sure you would believe me and ask kindly wherever you will be the women of your state of our denomination to help our brethren over there.

Send the packages of food and clothing to:

Rev. P. V. Potloff and the Board of Deacons,
Russian Baptist Church
202 Route Vallon,
Shanghai, China.

Verily truly yours,

EDWARD.

These supplies can be sent in 11-lb. boxes (the instructions as given for other boxes in January, 1946, Royal Service).

Progressive Program Planned By Southern Baptists In Calif.

Former Mississippi Pastor Is Secretary

After the recent meeting of the State Mission Board (they call it the Board of Directors) Dr. A. F. Crittenden, formerly pastor in Mississippi and now Executive Secretary of the Southern Baptist General Convention of California, sent a letter to all the churches from which we quote the first paragraph:

"We believe that information is essential to understanding and co-operation. We agree with the Home Mission Board in the motto: 'Trust the Lord and Tell the People.' So, we give below some highlights of the meeting of the Board of Directors held in Fresno on December 18, 1945.

Lack of space forbids giving the report in full, but highlights of the report were:

1. The budget was set at \$77,140 and following new workers added: a Training Union and B. S. U. secretary; three additional city missionaries; one more rural missionary and an office secretary and young people's worker for the B. T. U. and W. M. U. departments.

2. The Sunday school and Training Union department becomes two new departments, a department of Sunday school and Brotherhood work and a department of Training Union and Student Union work.

3. The new office secretary for the B. T. U. and W. M. U. departments (Mrs. Robert L. Murphy), will also serve as special young people's worker in these departments, and will be available for some field work. Churches using her will be expected to make a love offering for her service to cover the expenses involved in doing such work.

4. Rev. Russell Ware of Albuquerque, New Mexico, was elected as Training Union secretary. John A. Farmer was elected as secretary of the Sunday school and Brotherhood departments. Rev. Floyd Looney and Mrs. W. C. Howell were re-elected to their present positions.

5. The board provided for increasing the frequency of the publication of the California Southern Baptist to two issues per month.

6. The board purchased property in Fresno for Southern Baptist Headquarters.

7. Approval was given the plan of the Seminary Board of Trustees to employ Rev. Floyd Rooney as vice-president and promotional secretary for the Seminary (on a half-time basis), and Christian Education Day in June was set as special Seminary Day in the churches.

umes, every obligation (including education) paid in full and a comfortable margin of financial security for any "rainy day." But I almost forgot to let you in on this important secret: as the blessings of God increased the basis of my tithe increased, first to 15%, then to 20% and this year it is 25% that is brought to the "storehouse" on the first day of each week, and yes, another item, the tithe is on the "gross" NOT AFTER EXPENSES ARE DEDUCTED.

Another experience that has been an untold blessing: each year has not only brought temporal blessings but each year has seen the total of souls won to Christ increase. Last year I asked for 10 souls and the Lord gave me 147. This year I have asked Him for 30 souls.

I challenge any honest steward of the tithe to say that tithing does not pay!

HAVE YOU GOTTEN THESE?

Have You Received a Letter About The "Buddy Envelope" Plan?
Have You Gotten "My Envelope?" --- Has Your "Buddy Envelope" Arrived?
(We reproduce these envelopes on this page)

It is difficult to reach every Baptist who counts! You ARE numbered among those who DO THINGS, of course! If you do not receive these envelopes by Sunday of this week write us. We will gladly send them to you! YOU DO COUNT WITH US!

THIS IS AN OVER AND ABOVE OFFERING - It will count on your church and association quotas!

This procedure is authorized in the Plan of action by the Executive Committee of the Convention Board, and also the Mississippi College Board of Trustees. These two groups are composed of spiritual and constructive-minded pastors and laymen.

The final measure of success depends largely upon this step! Make it count!

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A FRIENDLY CHAT ABOUT THE "BUDDY ENVELOPE" PLAN IN THE MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE ENLARGEMENT CAMPAIGN!

Dear Fellow Helpers in the Gospel:

You are a Fellow Helper indeed! We come to you now regarding one of the most significant subjects—THE MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE ENLARGEMENT CAMPAIGN.

We enclose "My Envelope." You will find three printed figures, \$10, \$5, and \$1 on this envelope. In addition we have left a blank space for those who care to give and write in some larger sum. We feel many individuals will want to give \$25, \$50, \$100, et cetera. You will find a square for checking by the side of the figure identifying your contribution. In the second place we enclose a "Buddy Envelope." You will please pass this envelope to a "buddy" asking HIM or HER to help in this great cause by placing some sum of money, according to their own prayerful decision in this envelope.

If every person getting these two envelopes will do HIS or HER best for this work of Christ, we will victoriously close this campaign in short order! It will take an average contribution in EACH envelope of from \$3 to \$5. That means some will need to give more because some can only give less.

Mississippi College trains preachers and laymen! Mississippi College trains State Missionaries! Christian Education makes for better CHURCHES and a greater STATE! The teaching emphasis is dominant in the significant statement of JESUS as found in Matthew 28:18-20. We believe we will do this thing victoriously: (1) By the might of God's presence; (2) By the might of our numbers, over 300,000; and (3) By the might of the monies flowing into the hands of Mississippi Baptists.

In 1944 Mississippi Baptists earned \$150,000,000. A tithe amounts to \$15,000,000. As a matter of fact, Mississippi Baptists gave only \$3,500,000 to all causes of Christ! What became of the \$11,500,000 balance of God's tithe money in the hands of Mississippi Baptists?

We are a great people! We have a great God! We are in a great work, we LOVE JESUS, we believe the Bible! Let us act in a big way in this matter and get QUICK VICTORY FOR CHRIST'S SAKE, and for the sake of Youth in training!

Blessings upon you.

Yours in Service

D. A. McCALL,
General Director.

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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION TODAY! CHRISTIAN CIVILIZATION TOMORROW!

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Our Pastor

Sunday, January 6, closed the active ministry of Dr. W. A. Hewitt as pastor of the First Baptist Church of Jackson.

For twenty-eight years he and Mrs. Hewitt have faithfully and unselfishly served the people of this great church, as well as many others to whom they were a blessing though not members of this church.

It has been a ministry that is full of rich fruitage as a result of the fine work done through these many years by these devoted servants of the Lord. They are held in the highest esteem by their people. They have built for themselves a name that is everlasting because it has been founded in love and the desire to be of service to all. They have sought to do the will of the Lord and He has richly blessed them in their labors for Him.

May the Heavenly Father's choicest blessings be upon them as they retire from this rather strenuous life that they have lived for these years. We have never known a pastor who was more unselfish than Dr. Hewitt. He has never sought honor for himself, but only the desire to serve his people in any way that he could be of help.

Heaven's blessings upon them.

Ridgecrest Dates

Ridgecrest will be in full swing again this year. It was closed last year because of war restrictions.

June 27-July 3 and July 4-10 are the two Sunday school weeks. We hope our Sunday school leaders will please make note of this and begin plans now to have a good representation during one of those weeks.

*There is no way of establishing all the good that has come to Sunday schools throughout the South as a result of officers and teachers attending Ridgecrest.

The rates range from \$1.75 in cottages to \$3.50 in hotels per day, and include room, meals and program. Make your reservations early. Write Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly, Ridgecrest, N. C.

We Are Grateful

This statement recently came to us from Nashville: "Fifteen rahs for Mississippi! Only Mississippi, Florida and Texas have reached their goals for Standard Intermediate classes, and only Mississippi and Florida have reached their goals for Standard Intermediate departments. This is really something."

We are grateful for these words. This excellent record was made possible through the loyal cooperation of some as fine department superintendents and teachers as can be found anywhere. And just watch them for 1946.

The Last Call

This is the last call for the January 22 meetings in the associations. Next Tuesday is the day for these meetings all over the South in the interest of the 1946 program of Sunday school work.

Many of our associational leaders are making good preparation for a great meeting that day. We hope that all associations will have a meeting. If an association does not

have a duly elected Sunday school superintendent, the moderator, or some other one, may go right ahead and plan for the meeting and advertise it thoroughly. We hope this has been done in such cases.

The purpose of this January 22 meeting in each association is for the workers from the various churches to come together that day to study and plan how best promote the work of 1946. Then, this meeting is to be followed up in February by having a meeting in each church. These February church meetings will be made by teams selected for this purpose, with two or three members to each team. It will be fine to make all these February church meetings in one week; however, if more time is necessary that will be all right.

This is the first year that we have planned to have a meeting in each church. We are encouraged to believe that there are untold possibilities in these February church meetings. It will be a time of planning together with the workers of each church some forward steps to take during the year. It is without doubt our greatest opportunity of the year so far as Sunday school promotional work is concerned. Therefore, associational leaders, do not fail to have these church meetings. Do your best to have all your team workers secured by the January 22 associational meeting. Literature for these meetings has already been mailed out to all associations.

Are You Ready?

Well, January is here. That means that we have completed the first quarter of this Sunday school year. That also means that classes and departments, as well as schools, have had time to qualify for the Standard.

Are you ready to send in your application? Some have already done so, but there are many others that should. Please don't let this be delayed any more than is just necessary.

January is a fine month for seeing that your standard applications are all filled out and mailed to us. We are counting on you, so do not disappoint us. If you need application blanks or standard charts, or any other of the free Sunday school literature, we shall be glad to mail it on request.

The Proper Emphasis

The Junior B. department of the First Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, has been stressing evangelism and preaching attendance for several weeks. On Sunday, November 18, 32 of the 36 members present remained for the preaching service and 10 made professions of faith.

Surely these two go hand in hand and should be stressed by every worker in every department of Junior age and up. Mrs. Rhea G. Smith is the splendid superintendent of this fine department.

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The American Bible Society is preparing 20,000 Testaments for the Chinese people. For the Japanese Christians in Japan and the Pacific Islands, the Society has on hand almost 40,000 Testaments and Gospels and will shortly print an additional 65,000. Calls are coming from all over the world—in a few weeks, requests for Bibles in 42 different languages.



Department of Church Music

LUTHER A. HARRISON, Secretary

Southwide Plans for Music

Five of our southern states now have music secretaries. We met in Nashville last week and formulated plans and programs for this year. Our plans call for a complete course of study of music in every church with two books, "Let Us Sing," and Notation or Advanced Sight Reading, required for a diploma in church music. Other books will add seals to the diploma. These books are Conducting, Music in the Scriptures, Church Music Leadership, Hymn Playing and Hymnology. All together there will be ten books offered in the music field. In order to complete the right work one book on Sunday school, one on Training Union, and one on doctrine will have to be studied. We believe that this is a great step in the right direction.

A group of rural churches in Lauderdale county is in a school of music this week. The churches cover about one-fourth of the rural section of Lauderdale county. Four large consolidated schools are having an hour each day with four hundred people in each school and the entire group plans to come together for the night service. This is one of the largest schools we have scheduled this year.

Calvary Baptist Church and First Baptist Church of Jackson, Miss., were both visited last Sunday by the secretary and we found a great spirit in both of these churches and the music programs were superb. Both churches have several choirs, and plans are being made to enlarge this work. Calvary Baptist Church has \$16,000 in sight for an organ. Their Hammond organ is giving satisfactory service but they plan for a larger organ in the future. We are thankful for these great churches and their great music programs. Mrs. J. R. Sandifer is the director of music at Calvary, with Mrs. J. V. Posey, organist. They are doing excellent work in the church. Richard King is the efficient director at First church and Miss Hazel Chisholm is the south's greatest on the Skinner organ which is one of the largest organs south of the Ohio river.

Please turn in this year your postal card marked "Music Information."

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Russian Baptists Cable Greetings

Revealing the beautiful spirit of our Russian Baptist brethren, their president, Rev. A. I. Zhidkov, cabled the following New Year's greetings, which was delivered promptly on the evening of December 31, 1945:

"Dr. Louie D. Newton, Atlanta, Georgia, U. S. A. Hearty greetings for New Year and the earnest wish of fulness of blessings and plentiful fruits in service to our Lord. Yours sincerely, A. L. Zhidkov, Moscow, Russia."

I have answered Brother Zhidkov's message, both personally and on behalf of Southern Baptists.

May I take this occasion to again urge pastors and churches to forward

BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE ALUMNAE

RUTH TAYLOR, '45, DeFuniak Springs, Florida, who received her degree last May, is secretary of the Woodlawn Baptist Church, Birmingham, Alabama.

FANNIE MAE IZARD, '34, Newhebron, who was for several years director of Home Demonstration Service for the Mississippi Power and Light Company, has recently accepted a position as executive director of the Duval county (Florida) chapter of the American Red Cross. She lives in Jacksonville.

GEORGIA MAE OGBURN, '38, Meridian. The Window of Y. W. A. for November contains an article entitled "The Flower of Chile" by Georgia Mae who is principal of the W. M. U. Training school in Chile.

GRACE LOVELACE, '41, Clinton, is a WAVE in the Naval Air Station at Key West, Florida.

ELLEN MCKINSTRY STREET, '04, Ripley, who is probation officer of the juvenile division of the circuit court of Tippah county, Mississippi, was recently made a member of the executive committee of the Mississippi Association on Crime and Delinquency.

WILMA BONNER, '44, is a WAC. Her work is in the line of physiotherapy, and she is stationed at Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

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MISSISSIPPI CALENDAR OF PRAYER

Baptist Training Union Revival, January 13-25, Noxubee County.

January 21—Mrs. Jane Stone, Secretary in Office of Dr. D. A. McCall; W. M. U. Institute at Brookhaven.

January 22—W. M. U. Institute at Calvary Church, Jackson; Rev. W. B. May, Benton County Convention Board Member.

January 23—Dr. Lawrence T. Lowrey, President, Blue Mountain College; Dr. R. C. Holcomb, Attala County Convention Board Member.

January 24—Mrs. Karenza Gilfoy, Superintendent, Baptist Hospital; Dr. L. D. Sellers, Convention Board Member, Carroll County.

January 25—Dr. P. I. Lipsey, Trustee, Baptist Orphanage; Rev. W. B. Abel, Member, Committee on Social Service.

January 26—Dr. A. A. Kitchings, Member, Standing Committee on Temperance; Dr. W. L. Holcomb, Trustee, Clarke Memorial College.

January 27—Miss Jean Dawkins, Secretary in State Music and W. M. U. Departments; Rev. A. A. Ward, Member, Committee on Aged Ministers.

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Pastor H. J. Logan of Lambert reports much interest in the work. The Sunday school enrollment is 179, the budget is the largest in the history of the church, and the people are entering into the whole program of the denomination.

their kits, through the American Society for Russian Relief, Inc., 308 Dyckman Street, New York, N. Y., to Russia. If your church or organization has not already ordered kits to be filled please do so at once. For additional information and help we may offer, please communicate with the Southeastern Regional Office of the American Society for Russian Relief, 239 Peachtree Street, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia.

I believe this to be the greatest immediate missionary opportunity available to Southern Baptists. My own church has recently shipped another 1,000 kits.

-Sparks & Splinters-

Dr. C. M. Savage, formerly pastor at Union, recently resigned the pastorate of First church, Sylvester to accept a call to the Woodland Hills church, Atlanta, and moved on that field Dec. 3.

The Sunday Visitor recently carried a boasting article in which the weaknesses and faults of Protestants were pointed out, and the claim was made that the Catholics do not oppose Protestants, but attend to their own business, hence are out-gaining Protestants in numbers in the United States. All claims were untrue, for the Year Book of American Churches, 1945 edition, shows that while Catholics were gaining 474,454, Protestants, not counting those numbering less than 50,000, added 5,149,443.—Western Recorder.

Rev. Warren Tynes, graduate of Mississippi College and student in the Baptist Bible Institute, has accepted the call of the Bonner Creek church, near Franklinton, Louisiana.

Raymond M. Vey, of Cleveland, Ohio, in "Euclid Avenue Remembrances," tells how the layman can help worship services. He says in part: "He can lift his heart and voice in singing the songs of praise. He can give his attention to the preacher as soon as the sermon begins. He can breathe a quiet prayer after the benediction. He can be friendly with his fellow worshippers."

\$1,306,514,314 or \$75.70 per person in attendance was bet on horse races during 1945 by the 17,000,000 race-goers. These figures only cover the legal betting at the mutual windows.

In Nashville, Tennessee, more than 1,000 letters were sent to Christian leaders for a temperance meeting. Less than 100 responded. Editor's note: Yet we complain at the laxity of law enforcement and the power of the liquor crowd.

Joe Woodyear of Roxie writes: "I cannot explain what a blessing The Baptist Record has been to me. I am an invalid and can't go to church."

The many friends will sympathize with Rev. and Mrs. W. S. Allen of Pass Christian in the recent death of Mrs. Allen's mother, at the age of 95.

Hickory Flat and Potts Camp churches have called Rev. A. B. Jones as pastor. He will serve each church half time and will live at Potts Camp.

Rev. J. B. Parker began his 18th year at Ripley in November. On January 6 there were four additions and an offering of more than \$2,000 a part of which was for the building fund. This fund now totals more than \$10,000. Last year the church lacked only \$110 of giving as much to outside causes as for local work.

The people of Chicora church, Wayne county, are grateful to their pastor, Rev. H. N. Pearson, for making it possible for them to have The Baptist Record on the EVERY FAMILY Plan. Pastor Pearson is now in his second year as pastor. The church has been revived, the Sunday school and Training Union have made progress and a mid-week prayer service organized.—Reporter.

Senator Emmett Buckley, who represents Clarke and Jasper counties, recently addressed a letter to all members of the Mississippi legislature setting forth his views on various questions that are likely to come before the 1946 session.

The Religious Digest is to the religious field what the Reader's Digest is to the secular field. It is the same size and makeup as the Reader's Digest. It contains articles from various publications. Not all of them agree with the Baptist point of view, but they are interesting and it helps to know the other side of the question. Published monthly at 234 Pearl street, N. W., Grand Rapids 2, Michigan, the subscription price is \$3 per year.

Southern Baptist Brotherhood Journal for the first quarter of 1946 contains a series of contributions by laymen. Among these are J. Henry Burnett, L. Howard Jenkins, Judge John W. McCall, President J. R. Grant, John L. Hill and others equally as capable. It also carries the schedule of the Baptist Hour broadcast for 1946, as well as some timely editorials by Secretary Lawson Cooke.

Dr. J. M. Dawson, pastor, First Baptist Church, Waco, Texas, has entered upon his thirty-second year in that pastorate. During the year past the church contributed a total of \$86,000 to all purposes, more than half of which went to missions, education and benevolence. Dr. Dawson is now the acting chairman of the Southern Baptist Executive Committee and president of the Texas Institute of Letters. A chairman of the Southern Baptist Committee on World Peace he represented the Baptists at the San Francisco Conference of the United Nations.

Among the highlights of 1945 at Second church, Greenville, Rev. J. R. Eubanks, pastor, were: Forty-three professions of faith; 30 by letter, two by statement; a religious census; two revivals led by Rev. Barney Walker and Dr. W. L. Holcomb; the VBS in June which was the best we ever had; ten individual class rooms and a large assembly room added; more than 100 new pupils enrolled in the Sunday school; two bus loads of grade and junior high school children at the church every Wednesday afternoon for a week-day religious education school, assistance to Calvary church and the pastor spending a term at Baptist Bible Institute doing advance work.

Rev. Clarence Palmer, associational missionary for Itawamba county, recently sent a nice list of subscriptions from Liberty Grove church. Helpers like Pastor Palmer keep The Baptist Record subscription list at an all-time high.

The First Baptist Church, New Albany, closed one of its best years December 30. In the absence of the pastor, Rev. J. R. Davis, on that day, Rev. Ralph Winders, Baptist Student Union secretary for Virginia, preached. The attendance was good in spite of the weather. The offering that day amounted to \$1,557.79.

The Friendship class of Waynesboro church met on January 3 for a class meeting and social hour. Mrs. E. F. Hicks directed this group in games following the business session in which the following officers were elected: president, Mrs. Leslie Wade; first vice-president, Mrs. Robert Livingston; second vice-president, Mrs. Wayne Waller; third vice-president, Mrs. Stryon West; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Fountain Williams; reporter, Mrs. J. M. Tanner, and group captains, Mrs. Bill Hall and Mrs. J. M. Tanner. The hostess, Mrs. Wade, was assisted in serving by Mrs. E. F. Hicks.

First church, New Albany: On January 6 the pastor's message was, "Facing the New Year with Christ," and the evening service was a baptismal service, baptizing five. Also the Lord's Supper was observed with a candle-light service that was very impressive. We were challenged as we left the Lord's house on the first Sunday of a New Year, to go forth with a greater program of service and worship than ever before.—Mrs. H. N. Graham.

The following have been recent visitors to the office of The Baptist Record: Miss Elsie May Chambers, Jackson; Horace Headrick, Laurel; Mr. and Mrs. John D. Davis, Greenville; Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Watson, Greenville; Rev. Leonard Holloway, Louisville, Kentucky; Rev. James B. Parker, Ripley; Rev. O. B. Beverly, Flora; Rev. L. G. Sansing, Brandon; Earl Clark, Jackson; Edwin Madison, Hattiesburg; M. M. Brown, Jr., Clarke College, Newton; Dr. S. F. Dowis, Atlanta, Ga.; Dr. J. L. Aders, Birmingham, Ala.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

January 13, 1946

	SS	BTU
Meridian, Fifteenth Avenue	388	91
Liberty Hill, Panola county	104	41
Ackerman	135	
Crystal Springs	438	111
Beulah, Jones county	51	40
Beaumont	55	30
Harrisburg, Tupelo	218	68
Enon, Panola county	76	66
Houlka, Chickasaw county	64	27
Wallerville	50	23
Wellman, Lincoln county	59	52
Brookhaven, First	581	116
Centreville	145	28
Batesville	159	56
Jackson, Calvary	1,094	279

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West Laurel	365	120
New Albany, First	470	190
Vicksburg, First	553	172
Centreville	127	
Jackson, First	1,069	261
Jackson, Griffith	561	236
Jackson, Daniel	164	64

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Job was not the only one having trials. Pastor C. O. Dunkin, Fairbanks, Alaska, was recently badly burned in recovering the body of a man from a burning building, at the same time his wife was in Mayo's Clinic. Reports show she will need radium treatments for some time. These two persons have been largely used of the Lord in Fairbanks, Alaska.

Piano Transcriptions of Gospel Songs by Frederick Hayashi is the result of a suggestion that he arrange some of the old favorite hymns as simple transcriptions for the large number of students with limited training. Titles are: Fairest Lord Jesus; Sun of My Soul; Tell Me the Old, Old Story; Only a Sinner; 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus; Holy Ghost with Light Divine; Lord I Have Shut the Door; Have Thine Own Way, Lord; Crown Him with Many Crowns; and The King's Business. The price is 50c and orders should be sent to the publisher, the Moody Press, 153 Institute Place, Chicago 10, Ill.

Pastors and others interested in the Brotherhood should get the pamphlet "A Brotherhood in Action" prepared by Rev. J. H. Street, secretary of the Brotherhood department of the Mississippi Baptist Convention. The pamphlet is a reproduction of the discussion of Brotherhood work by members of West Laurel Baptist Church Brotherhood, Laurel. This is one of the very best Brotherhoods in the South and their presentation of the work should prove helpful indeed. Secretary Street will be glad to send copies for the asking.

Elgin Turner, treasurer of Pleasant Hill church in Greene county not only sent in the money for The Baptist Record EVERY FAMILY Plan, but sends compliments also. He recently wrote: "The Baptist Record is a wonderful inspiration coming into our home. We would not miss reading it for anything."

Luther A. Harrison, secretary of the Department of Music, will conduct an associational School of Music for the Marion County Association at East Columbia church, January 21-25. Sessions will be held each evening. East Columbia church is located two miles south of East Columbia on the Columbia and Purvis road. Those interested in church music are urged to attend.—Jesse A. Davis, Sunday school superintendent.

Pastor J. R. Eubanks of Second church, Greenville, reports that Mrs. Glen Luper from Wright City Baptist Church, Wright City, Oklahoma, was the five hundredth person to be received into the fellowship of the church during the 7½ years of his ministry there. Pastor Eubanks helped to organize the church, beginning with 22 charter members on July 24, 1938.

Friends of Rev. William P. Davis, Mississippian, who was recently discharged from the chaplaincy, will be glad to know that he has accepted the pastorate of First church, Clinton, Ky.

Lena Church Adopts Full Time Program

Beginning January 1, 1946, the Lena Baptist Church began operating under a full time program. In 1948 it will celebrate its centennial. Plans are already in the making for that event. M. P. Hendrick, one of its oldest members, is now writing the history of this church. They are now ready to begin the new century with Christ along with other Southern Baptists.

The church now has the following officers:

Rev. A. A. Ward, pastor.
Sunday school officers:
Superintendent—H. G. Trest.
Associate superintendent—J. T. Renfroe.

Secretary—Hobson Sherman.
Adult teachers:
Men—Matthew Lyle and A. H. Townsend.

Women—Mrs. M. P. Hendrick and Mrs. S. S. Sessums.

Young People—Miss Mary Lee Sessums.

Intermediate—Mrs. J. H. Ward and Mrs. H. G. Trest.

Junior—Mrs. J. O. Pace and Mrs. G. F. Maroney.

Primary—Mrs. Hobson Sherman.
Beginners—Mrs. G. F. Westcott.

Cradle Roll—Mrs. Murphy Glaze.
Extension—Mrs. A. A. Ward.

Librarian—Mrs. Hobson Sherman.
Training Union officers:

Director—W. M. Bell.
Associate director—Miss Emily Stovall.

Adult president—J. T. Renfroe.
Young People—Mr. A. H. Townsend.

Intermediate—Mrs. A. A. Ward.
Junior—Mrs. H. G. Trest.

Story Hour—Miss Emily Stovall.
General secretary—Miss Mamie Westcott.

President of W. M. U.—Mrs. H. G. Trest.

Deacons—Matthew Lyle, Chairman, J. T. Renfroe, R. M. Brooks, Dr. J. W. Lyle, H. G. Trest, W. M. Bell, A. Z. Sessums, A. L. Sherman, H. T. Price and Earl Mill.—Reporter.

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GARDNER HOLCOMB

Purvis, Jan. 9—Funeral services were held Monday at the First Baptist Church of Purvis for Gardner Holcomb, 78, who died at his home in the Corinth community. The church services were conducted by the Rev. Troy A. Sumrall of Hattiesburg, pastor of the Corinth Baptist Church, and Rev. W. H. Shirley, pastor of the Purvis church. Interment was in the Purvis cemetery with a Masonic service at the graveside.

Mr. Holcomb, a native of Covington county, had resided in the Corinth community, Lamar county, for 60 years, and for the past 17 years he was an invalid. He was married 53 years ago January 4, to Miss Sally Purvis who survives him.

He is also survived by nine children, Jim Holcomb of Fort Worth, Tex.; Otis Holcomb of Angola, La.; Rev. Lamar Holcomb of Forest; Rev. Luther Holcomb of Memphis, Tenn.; J. G. Holcomb of Hattiesburg; Mrs. Cora Harbour of Shreveport; Mrs. Janie Gamble and Mrs. Julia Dees of Purvis, and Miss Esther Holcomb of Hattiesburg. Also surviving are three brothers, G. W. Holcomb of Hattiesburg, J. A. Holcomb of Purvis, and G. B. Holcomb of Puckett; and four sisters, Mrs. Laura Bond of Long Beach, Mrs. Mary Bond of Houston, Tex., Mrs. J. F. Purvis of Purvis and Mrs. W. D. Smith of Washington, D. C. There are 18 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

Auber J. Wilds, State Secretary . . . Box 530, Jackson 105, Mississippi
 Associates: Miss Louise Hill, Miss Clarice Conner
 Miss Nella Dean Mitchell, Mrs. L. R. Williams

The HOME is the foundation
 of civilization



The BIBLE

is the foundation of a home

Yes, there is no doubt about it, the home is the foundation of civilization, and the Bible the foundation of the home. Perhaps you will say, "That is true, but how are you going to get every home to thus fortify itself?" Every home will not, but, as each individual must live individually, so each home must, as a unit, become a civilization within itself. No mistaking, the Bible home will influence other homes. Let this good year of 1946 bring the Bible to our home. Build on its teachings. Let your children grow up under its influence. Just to have the printed Word in the home is good but not enough. To make it valuable it must be read. Wouldn't you like to join the already mighty band of Daily Bible Readers? Keep up the readings in Training Union this year. They are short and should be supplemented with other readings for family altar, etc.

Hinds-Warren Associational Training Union officers, under the leadership of their director, Mrs. Lewis Yarbrough, are studying the associational Manual. This is being done as a home study and already several of the officers have completed the work and turned in their papers. This is one of the MUSTS for ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICERS if they are to be efficient.

This is the month for the Executive Committee meetings of the Associational Training Union! And being the first month in the year it should be thought of as the most important in the year. Extension work for the year to be planned, programs for the meetings to be planned, social features to be promoted, enlargement campaigns to be arranged, etc., etc.

Clinton Training Union on the March

Thanks to Educational Director Herbert Batson, of the Clinton Baptist Church for a good report on the activities of the Clinton Training Union. They started the new year with an attendance of 150 at the midnight hour, December 31-January 1. Their watch service was a great occasion. They set high goals for attendance for the Sunday night meetings, 225 was set for the first Sunday night in January; they had 216, and of this number 125 were young people. A new Young People's Union has been organized, and also a new Junior Union has been organized. Plans are to continue the addition of unit organizations. At the Officers' Council meeting Sunday afternoon there were 66 present. This meeting was preceded by the Executive Committee meeting. Miss Elizabeth Gilbert is the efficient director of this growing Training Union, and we ex-

tend heartiest congratulations.

Ackerman Training Union Leads On

Thanks to Mrs. A. B. Covington, director of the Ackerman Training Union, for a good report of their recent study course activities. Two successful classes were taught, the Juniors taught by Mrs. Earl Brooks of Weir, the intermediates taught by Pastor I. F. Metts. 20 Juniors took advantage of their course and 30 Intermediates completed the work in their course. Mrs. Covington has a mighty good word to say about the leadership of her unions. The Junior leaders are Mrs. Lewis Landrum and Mrs. Sudie Lovern; the leaders in the Intermediate Union are Miss Mildred Kornegay is the director of the department, and the leaders of the unions are Mr. M. P. Graves, Miss Lenora Viverette and Mr. A. B. Covington. Plans for a study course for the other departments of the Union are in the making. Congratulations, Ackerman.

Report of Siwel Union

The Siwel church through the Training Union reporter, Mrs. C. W. McGehee, reports on their first year's activities. We are glad to give here the word as sent in by Mrs. McGehee: "The Baptist Training Union of the Siwel Baptist Church, Hinds-Warren Association, is making plans for its second year. Mr. W. C. Ward is the director and is a good worker among the young people. The Training Union now has 43 on roll, and four unions. The 'aim' for the first quarter is 60 on roll and to organize a Young People's Union, and to build up the Story Hour. The Union is looking forward to a study course in February. The Siwel church has full time preaching with Rev. John R. Cobb as pastor. The church membership is 115."

FEB. 5 IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER. ALL PASTORS, ALL ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICERS, AND ANY OTHERS INTERESTED IN ASSOCIATIONAL TRAINING UNION PROMOTION ARE URGED TO MEET WITH US AT FIRST CHURCH, JACKSON, MISS., FOR THE ANNUAL ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICERS CLINIC, 10:00 A. M. THROUGH 4:00 P. M.

PROMINENT PSYCHIATRIST TO VISIT JACKSON

Dr. Robert V. Seliger, instructor in psychiatry at Johns Hopkins Medical school and assistant visiting psychiatrist of the hospital, will come to Jackson on January 18 as the guest of honor and speaker for the Mississippi Church Council for Narcotics Education.

Dr. Seliger will speak at a dinner given in his honor at six in the Silver Room of the Heidelberg Hotel and to the general public in the Victory Room at 8:00 p. m.

Dr. Seliger has specialized in the treatment of alcoholics and is at present medical director for the farm for alcoholic patients in Howard county, Maryland, as well as executive director for the Committee on Alcohol Hygiene, Inc. His visit should be of special interest to health and social welfare workers, ministers, and

other church leaders, and particularly to physicians and nurses who face the alcohol problem daily in their professions.

The complex nature of the liquor problem is not yet realized by the general public, but scientists such as Dr. Seliger, Dr. E. M. Jellinek of Yale, Dr. Merrill Moore of Boston, and Dr. Haven Emerson of N. Y., after years of study and practice are beginning to find solutions which will in time free millions from the handicaps of alcoholism.

Dr. Seliger believes that: "Alcoholism is not a dissipation but a symp-

tom of an underlying difficulty or illness."... "Alcoholism should... be considered what it is: a national health problem."... "Some people can handle liquor, others can't. And some people who today can handle liquor may next year, or the year after, or five years hence be among those who can't."

Other leaders and organizations sponsoring Dr. Seliger's visit to Jackson are: Department of Health, Department of Education, Chamber of Commerce, Alcoholics Anonymous, Juvenile Council, W. C. T. U., P. T. A., and Child Welfare.

The Executive Committee Meets!

(The Education Commission Meets)

Monday and Tuesday, January 7-8, the Executive Committee and Education Commission met in the office of the executive secretary in the Baptist Building.

The 20% Christian Education allocation from the Cooperative Program for 1946 was divided as follows: Mississippi College 45%, Blue Mountain College 35%, and Clarke College 20%.

The Education Commission voted unanimously and in fine spirit the suggestion that when Woman's College opens and conducts her campaign, she should be shown special consideration.

Your executive secretary has not seen a finer spirit manifested than was evident in this meeting. However, all meetings of this group are harmonious, spiritual and constructive.

The Executive Committee approved the "Buddy Envelope" Plan in the Mississippi College Enlargement Campaign.

The Tithing Card in the "100,000" tithing campaign for 1946 was approved.

Since February 10 has been designated as Southwide "Stewardship Day," it was recommended to all of our churches that this day be used in Mississippi in giving general impetus to this "100,000" tithing campaign.

The executive secretary was instructed to proceed with plans for a state-wide meeting of association moderators and clerks. April 1, 10:00 a. m.-4:00 p. m., has been named as the date for this meeting in Jackson.

The date of the American Bible Society offering was set for the second Sunday in December.

The Executive Committee voted that lists of contributions in special campaigns would be given to institutions as heretofore. If lists of contributions are desired by any institution all through the year, the list will be provided by the Convention Board office at the expense of the given institution. Of course, questions are gladly ANSWERED about any particular contribution and convention board books are open to all for inspection. The committee expressed itself as being unfavorable to allowing outsiders to come in and take over the books for two or three hours, as that interferes with the already overloaded bookkeeping department personnel.

The Widow's Supplementary Plan is to be studied by a committee composed of Jas. L. Sullivan, E. D. Hurst and R. D. Pearson.

W. W. Enete, 276 Wilkinson Street, Shreveport, Louisiana, was invited to spend three months in the state in high school evangelism. The churches will make their engagements directly with him.

Appropriations were made to Negro seminary and Bible Institute work.

Appropriations were allowed for practically all pastoral and church building aid requests referred to the Executive Committee. We remind you that the sum of more than \$50,000 was requested for building aid, whereas, only \$17,750 was available.

Requests coming in after the stated deadline of December 1, 1945, were not considered.

Indian appropriations were left with the secretary.

Provisions were made for additional State Mission work in Institutions.

Three men were asked to lead in the Temperance Campaign.

NOTE: In all fairness we might say that more State Mission money needs would probably be available had many of those receiving it in the past cooperated more fully with the Convention Board office in promoting State Missions. For instance, we have asked for testimonies setting forth spiritual victories and pictures of baptismal groups from approximately 100 churches annually receiving pastoral aid or building help, and we have probably received replies from not over one dozen.

We cannot and do not think that much modesty is abroad in the land. IS IT INDIFFERENCE? IS IT A FAILURE TO SO LABOR, LIVE AND LOVE THAT SPIRITUAL VICTORY DOES NOT COME? IS IT A WILLINGNESS TO RECEIVE HELP, AND SHAMEFACEDNESS OVER RECEIVING SUCH HELP? We speak emphatically, because we feel the situation deserves it. At the same time we thank the dozen from the bottom of our heart. And, at the same time in common fairness we realize a few others might have some just reason for not sending out these testimonies. The majority simply failed!

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State Secretaries Give Their Reaction To The Proposed Procedure For Raising 1946 Budget

CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM . . . OUR HOPE

Louisiana—W. H. Knight, Shreveport

More and More the Co-operative Program is coming to be recognized as the sanest, most business like and the most successful method Southern Baptists have ever found to finance adequately all their work at home and abroad.

In Louisiana, we have grown in recognition of its merits and in our general acceptance of it as the best method of church and denominational financing. In five years we have found ourselves liberated from all debts and a consequent liberality in general denominational gifts.

In 1940 we were under the heels of creditors who demanded 40% of all distributable funds for debts. After deductions for administration and a few "preferred items" allowed by creditors, our percentage to Southwide causes was slightly under 18% of all distributable funds. That has risen, until now our distribution is on a 65-35% basis, with only bare administration expenses deducted before distribution. Above budget requirements, full 35 per cent is sent, monthly, to Southwide causes.

In 1940 our state budget was \$150,000 and we only raised \$135,000. In 1945 our budget is \$230,000 and we will raise in distributable funds, approximately \$440,000. Special offerings are in addition. Our proposed budget for 1946 is \$264,500, and if financial conditions continue favorable we will approach the half million mark.

Our suggested goal for Southwide causes is \$277,800. Our Convention will likely accept this goal and will seek to reach it by a greatly increased effort on the Co-operative Program, plus any large and corporate gifts secured by any of our boards and institutions. Our method of securing greater support to the Co-operative Program must necessarily depend upon an appeal to our churches to give a larger percentage of their budgets to outside causes. This we plan to do vigorously.

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DR. W. O. VAUGHT, JR.

BAPTIST HOUR PRESENTS DR. W. O. VAUGHT, JR.

The Baptist Hour will present Dr. W. O. Vaught, Jr., popular pastor of the Immanuel Baptist Church of Little Rock, in the broadcast of Sunday morning, January 20.

Dr. Vaught recently came to his present pastorate from the University Baptist Church of Abilene, Texas. He was formerly Baptist Student Union secretary in Missouri, and later pastor of the Bethany Baptist Church of Kansas City, Missouri.

The subject of Dr. Vaught's message is, "Life's Supreme Allegiance," and will be of special interest to young people as well as adults.

The program may be heard in Mississippi over Radio Stations WCBI, Columbus; WSLI, Jackson; WDSU, New Orleans; KWKH, Shreveport; WHAS, Louisville, and WSB, Atlanta, at 7:30 a. m.

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Branyan Available

Rev. William H. Branyan, Jr., has completed 44 months service as a chaplain and is now available for a pastorate. Thirty of his 44 months services were spent in the European theatre—England, France, Belgium and Germany. After 24 months service he was promoted to the rank of major.

Mr. Branyan graduated at Mississippi College in 1938 and received his Th.M. at Louisville in 1941. In his senior year at Mississippi College he was editor of the Collegian and manager of the football team. Before going to the Seminary in Louisville he held several student pastorates and after graduating at Louisville, he was pastor at Falmouth, Ky. He is 30 years of age, is married and is the father of a daughter, four years old. His address is Ripley.

—BR—

Dr. B. C. Land, former pastor at Quitman and now director of the Department of Stewardship and Promotion in Florida writes in complimentary terms of Dr. James W. Parish, who recently came to Laurel as pastor of the First church.

Cpl. Gale Anderson, who says that he plans to be a future Mississippi minister, writes enthusiastically about some of the church services he has attended above the Mason and Dixon Line since being in the army air force. He says, "Let's get on the job for God and reveal his plan of salvation to sinners without fear."



Brotherhood Department

J. H. Street, Secretary

DISTRICT ORGANIZATION

Our plan of state Brotherhood promotion provides for setting up an organization for each district. We have eight districts in the state, beginning with the Jackson area, which is district No. 1, and continuing clockwise around the state, with each district embracing about ten counties. Thus the delta area is No. 2; north-west Mississippi is No. 3; northeast Mississippi is No. 4; the Starkville-Columbus area is No. 5; Meridian-Newton territory is No. 6; Laurel-Hattiesburg area is No. 7; and south-west Mississippi is No. 8.

The officers of these districts have very important positions, as they become the area representatives and promoters of the state program of Brotherhood work. We plan to present pictures of our district presidents from time to time, as our organization is completed and as pictures can be obtained. We are happy to introduce two of our presidents this week.

DISTRICT 8



Julius E. White
McComb

Brother Julius E. White, 410 Elmwood street, McComb, is the president of District Eight. He is a member of the East McComb church, deacon, teacher of Baraca class, former church trustee, former Sunday school superintendent, member church male quartet, local Brotherhood president, member city school board of trustees, former scoutmaster, and in spare time works for the Illinois Central Railroad. He is 51 years of age, married, and has two children, Julian and Marylan.

Serving with Brother White are Vice-President C. D. Beecher, 1122 LaBranch street, McComb, and Secretary Joe McCullough, 133 N. Chestnut, McComb.

HARRISON LEADS CONVENTION SINGING

We are happy to be able to announce that Brother Luther Harrison, state secretary of music, will lead the singing in the Brotherhood Convention April 1 and 2. He will feature a men's chorus and male quartets.

Rev. W. W. Clark, B. B. I. student, has been called as pastor at Tuscola. He succeeds Rev. A. A. Ward, who resigned in order to give full time at Lena.

DISTRICT 6



Lyle V. Corey
Meridian

Brother Lyle V. Corey, 1708 34th avenue, Meridian, is a member of the Highland (Meridian) church, where he is a deacon, church clerk, superintendent of Junior Sunday school department, and member of the Brotherhood. He is 39 years of age, married, has five children, Marion W., 14; Lyle Vernon, Jr., 12; Robert Edward, 10; Alfred Eugene, 8, and Rachel Ann, 4 months. He is a practicing attorney, with offices in the Lamar building. He is secretary of the Men's Christian Council of Meridian.

Brother Charles D. Shields, Three-foot Building, is secretary of the district.

A PRAYER FROM THY SERVANT

Tired, weary and broken
At the close of the day,
With the faith of a child
I knelt down to pray.
Lifted my eyes to the heavens,
To the Throne of God's Grace,
"Give peace to Thy servant
In Thy love, him embrace."

Thou knowest his plight
As no other canst know,
Thy love will go with him
As none other will go.
The sound of Thy voice
His tempest will still
Thy calm, his peace
Thyway, his will.

"Meek and unselfish
Help me others to bring,
To the throne of Thy glory
Thy praises to sing.
So many are weary
From grief and from strife,
Thy love, wilt them comfort
Thy grace, give new life.

"My thanks, Lord, I give
For Thy Son Thou didst give,
A Redeemer, a Saviour
Through Him we might live,
From bondage to free us
To save us from sin.
These things I do pray Thee,
Dear Father, Amen."

Mrs. John Singleton,
First Baptist Church,
Yazoo City, Miss.

Dedicated to my sister-in-law, Mrs. D. A. Singleton, who lost her husband recently in an oil-transport accident. (paid)



RUTH RUSSELL

Ruth Russell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vann Russell of New Albany, Mississippi, has what is believed to be an unbeaten Sunday school attendance record for her church. Ruth, 15 years old, joined the First Baptist Church here at the age of 9 and for the past 7 years has not missed Sunday school once. She has missed only one preaching service in the seven years and on that Sunday attended at Blue Mountain.

REV. P. S. RODGERS

Rev. Patrick S. Rodgers died at Tylertown on Jan. 7. Funeral services were held at the Tylertown Baptist Church with interment in the Tylertown Cemetery. Officiating ministers were: W. R. Cooper, O. H. Scott, W. M. Bowman and Wyatt Hunter.

Reverend Rodgers was born in Clarke county, July 1, 1865. He attended school at Sylvaena, entering Mississippi College preparatory department in 1886. He was graduated from Mississippi College in 1891. He attended the Southern Baptist Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky, for one and one-half years; studied one year at the University of Chicago, and was graduated from the Rochester Divinity school with a B. D. degree in 1896.

He served the Baptist church in Mississippi, Georgia, New York, Indiana, Wisconsin, Kentucky, Washington, Oregon, Arkansas, Tennessee, Illinois, Missouri, Idaho and Florida. He had held pastorates in the above states and served as a missionary in Washington

and Oregon for eleven years during the period of 1899-1910.

After the long life of active service for the church, he came to Walthall county where he retired from active pastorate work on May 1, 1931. For the last ten years he had served as moderator of the Walthall County Baptist Association.

He passed his eightieth birthday in July of last year and conducted two services in the Tylertown Baptist Church on the occasion, preaching from the same texts as he used for his first two sermons when he entered the ministry over fifty years before.

Rev. Rodgers was married to Miss Abbie Davis of Albany, Wisconsin, on July 10, 1898, and is survived by her and their three children: Paul Patrick Rodgers, Ph.D., head of the Spanish department at Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio; Mrs. J. P. Stuart, wife of Professor Stuart of Mississippi Southern College, Hattiesburg, and Robert Richard Rodgers, now in Chicago, Illinois.

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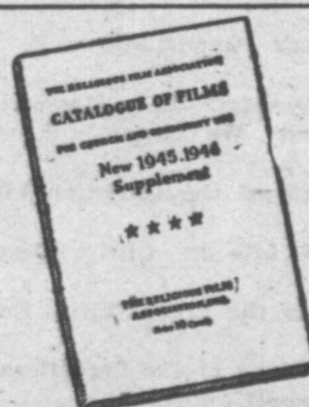
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A FAVORITE SERMON

JACOB FULFILLS THE WORDS OF THE LORD

By Rev. Claude Howe
Batesville, Miss.

Genesis 25:23: "And the Lord said unto her, two nations are in thy womb, and two manner of people shall be separated from thy bowels;



Rev. Claude Howe

and the one people shall be stronger than the other people, and the elder shall serve the younger."

The writers of every Sunday school lesson I could find have painted

Jacob to be a very bad character. He only fulfilled the words of the Lord. God said before he was born that he would supplant Esau. His name was Jacob, or supplanter. (One who takes the place of another.) Could one who does the will of God be called an evil character? His thoughts are above our thoughts. God is working out a lineage to David, then to Christ. Not one of these forefathers can be a carnal man, but must be Christian characters, of the highest type. Esau was not the type or character, to be a forefather of the Son of God, so he must be supplanted. Jacob is to take his place.

Esau has been hunting, he comes home feeling faint and hungry. He sells his birthright for a morsel of meat. When my father died, he left a small estate and no will. All the children made a deed for all the possession to our mother but at her death each child is to receive a certain designated place. If I were to sell to one of my brothers my inheritance, for a price, smaller than the land is actually worth, this would be exactly what took place here, as Esau sold to Jacob his inheritance or birthright. At the death of my mother if I were to try to get the land back, which I had actually sold and swore to let him have for the designated price, this would be again what happened here. Esau had sold his birthright to Jacob, but at the death of Isaac he tried to get it back. I believe the wrong was committed by Esau. Why did not Esau say to his father, "I have sold my birthright to Jacob," instead of trying to get that which was not rightfully his?

Jacob and his mother only planned to get that which he had bought and paid for. Naturally one will say, is it wrong to lie to one's father? I am not one to judge. I do not believe in lying but Rahab lied about the spies, and God saved her because she had faith in the God of Israel and lied. Joshua, second chapter. If by lying he did wrong he did not think so, because he said to his mother in Genesis 27:35: "And he said, my father peradventure will feel me, and I shall seem TO HIM a deceiver." That is what Isaac said in Gen. 27:35 "And he said thy brother came with subtilty, and hath taken away the blessing."

Isaac sent Jacob to Laban to get a wife. God must continue this lineage, and to make great men, there must be great mothers. Jacob has

Preaching Mission To Reach All Leake County Churches

By Dr. Wm. Potter

Seventy-two Mississippi Baptist Associations will have their eyes on Leake county during March of 1946 and watching with prayerful interest the results of a county-wide Preaching Mission which has been planned to reach every church in the county and every unchurched area in the

been pictured as a lazy man but I cannot believe a lazy man would work for fourteen (14) years for a wife, before he came into possession of her. He has been pictured as a deceiver and a trickster. Again I believe he was being mistreated. He worked seven years for Rachel but was deceived and married to Leah. He worked seven more years for Rachel, but God remembered this and later repaid him. He then made a trade with Laban for a price agreeable to both for the next six years. God spoke to him through an angel, Gen. 31:11, and told him how to prepare the poles. God gave to him his just wages for the six years that he had labored for that which he had not traded for. He said that Laban had changed his wages ten times, Gen. 31:7, but God cared for His own. Is this trickery? If so, it was God's tricks and He did the tricking.

Now let me in my feeble way explain this picture as I understand it. In Hebrews the twelfth chapter, verses 16 and 17 we find, "Lest there be any fornicator or profane person as Esau who for one morsel of meat sold his birthright. For that ye know how that afterward, when he would have inherited the blessing, he was rejected; for he found no place of repentance, though he sought it carefully with tears." Now if I understand this aright, Esau was a carnal man looking at this present life, today. I will get all out of life today that I can. I do not care about an inheritance. This is the picture of every carnal, unregenerated person. If I have to await death for a blessing, I will hold it very cheaply. I will live for today. When death comes they will repent with tears, but will be rejected because they sold their inheritance of God for a morsel of worldly pleasure and sin for this present life. Sinners appreciate your opportunity to become heirs of God and joint heirs of Jesus Christ. Do not sell it for the morsel of sin.

Jacob is a type of every believer in Christ who is willing to deny himself and labor faithfully for an inheritance. He could see the future beyond death. Esau and Laban were only obstacles in the way, but if God be for us, who can be against us? God had promised Jacob (Gen. 28:15), "Behold I am with thee and will keep thee in all the places whither thou goest." Then when Jacob was wrestling with God in prayer (he would not let the angel go, not vice versa), he would not cease or waver until he was blessed.

This is the way that every child of God should be, faithful and full of faith until the blessing comes. We are heirs of God and joint heirs of Christ, only awaiting death to receive the blessing. "Come ye blessed of my Father and inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world." Heaven is our inheritance. We are only waiting for death to go to our home.

most scattered sections.

Dr. D. A. McCall set the pace at the recent State Conventions and Leake county pastors took the challenge to heart. First a pastor's conference was organized with Dr. William Potter of Carthage as president, and Rev. H. P. McDonald, Bethel pastor, as secretary-treasurer. Then the idea of the preaching mission was formulated. Speaking for the pastor's conference as to the details of the preaching mission, Dr. Potter had this to say to the Record: "We just couldn't let Dr. McCall's challenge go unheeded and prayerfully decided to do something about it in our own county. The plans, not yet completed or perfected, are something like this: we will meet for the first week in Carthage in a great preaching rally. This is to get the pastors 'warmed up' and enthused. For five nights we hope the revival spirit will prevail as two pastors will preach Gospel messages and another will present a particular phase of the denominational program. With this momentum we carry over into the next week when five key churches in the county will be selected to hold similar one night meetings. The third week we will take another group of five churches and present the same program of Gospel preaching and denominational loyalty. Then comes, we pray, the glorious climax when on the fourth week at prepared spots throughout the county we will take the Gospel message to those areas not now having any organized spiritual program. We feel this program merits the earnest prayers of our Baptist brethren throughout the state and we are determined that we shall be better informed, more loyal and financially supporting Baptists and all to the glory of the Lord Jesus Christ and the salvation of lost souls. We challenge the other 72 associations to join with us in such a program."

—BR—

Gulfport: New Hope church held services in their church just one year from the day they decided to build. The church was built without debt, for the accounts were paid as the church was in the process of being built. Pastor J. M. Edwards says they have had six for baptism and six by letter.

Clinton Baptist Church Has Successful Reception For Ex-Servicemen And Women

By Herbert Batson

Sunday night, Jan. 6, Clinton Baptist Church had a special service honoring all ex-servicemen and women. Forty-five servicemen and women stood in the receiving line and were greeted by the church family and students of Mississippi College. The colors, American and Christian Flags, were presented in an impressive ceremony, with Eugene DeLashmet and Craig Harris participating, and Robert N. Touchstone reading the names of the Gold Star servicemen. The Chorale Choir of Mississippi College, directed by Professor E. N. Elsey, thrilled everyone with a fine rendition of "This is My Country." Dodds Douglas, SOM 3/c USNR, sang a bass solo, Out of the Deep."

Pastor John Newport announced that a memorial in memory of all men and women who served in the armed forces would be installed in the church, in the form of a set of chimes, a living memorial to all who served their country.

Special talks were given by several ex-servicemen and women as follows:

My Place in the Church Organizations—William Ferrell.

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My Church and Christ-Like Living—Charles Ray.

The Returning Servicemen and the Local Church Marching Forward with Christ—Chaplain E. L. Douglas.

—BR—

Union county is very fortunate to have Rev. H. H. Ward as county missionary. He has conducted study courses in many of the churches in the county. Through his efforts many new workers have been enlisted and several of our churches now have a Sunday school and Training Union that did not have previous to his work.—Mrs. H. N. Graham.

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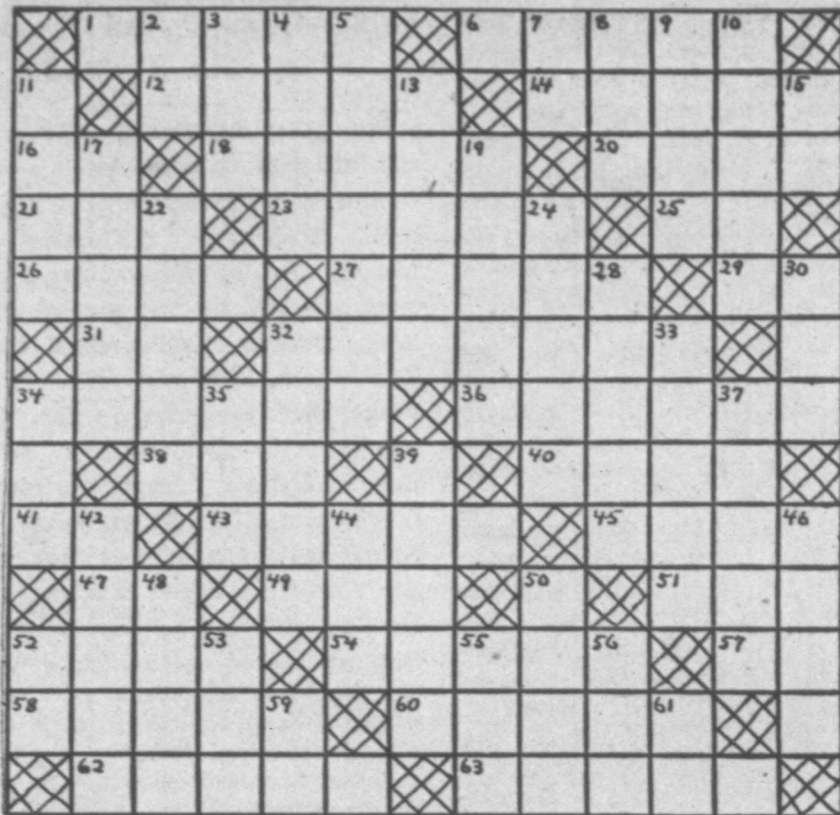
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ACROSS

- 1 "as God hath dealt to every man the measure of . . ." Romans 12:3.
- 6 "he will be our . . . even unto death," Ps. 48:14.
- 12 Pintail ducks.
- 14 "his . . . shall be thy shield and buckler," Ps. 91:4.
- 16 River of Siberia.
- 18 "the Lord will bless his people with . . ." Ps. 29:11.
- 20 Deadly pale.
- 21 Palestine.
- 23 Used for fastening.
- 25 Tellurium.
- 26 Son of Seth, Gen. 4:26.
- 27 God showed her a well of water in the wilderness, Gen. 21:17-19.
- 29 New England state.
- 31 Negative.
- 32 Greek goddess.
- 34 Precious stone in the wall of the new Jerusalem," Rev. 21:18.
- 36 "The Lord also will be a . . . for the oppressed," Ps. 9:9.
- 38 Eternity.
- 40 Moses saw the promised land from this mountain.
- 41 Measure.
- 43 Kings.
- 45 "thou shalt . . . up the tabernacle.
- 47 God in Hebrew names.
- 49 The self.
- 51 Female saint.

- 52 "and . . . with joy receiveth it."
- 54 "the ox knoweth his . . ."
- 57 Means of transportation.
- 58 Rent asunder.
- 60 Water wheel.
- 62 "for his . . . endureth forever."
- 63 "he giveth . . . unto the lowly."

DOWN

- 2 "not . . . the world giveth, give I unto you."
- 3 Rogue.
- 4 Small artificial elevation.
- 5 Plant.
- 7 Old note in music.
- 8 One of David's men, 2 Sam. 20:26.
- 9 "he remembereth that we are . . ."
- 10 City of Judah, Josh. 19:7.
- 11 "And thou shalt be secure, because there is . . ." Job 11:18.
- 13 Benumb (Dial. Eng.).
- 15 Henry.
- 17 "bread from heaven," Ex. 16.
- 19 Zealous.
- 22 "to . . . those that are appointed to death," Ps. 102:20.
- 24 Bread plate.
- 28 Direct attention.
- 30 Fish.
- 32 Thick.
- 33 Awkward persons.
- 34 "in thy presence is fulness of . . ." Ps. 16:11.
- 35 Vessel in which "bread from heaven" was preserved, Ex. 16:33.
- 37 "divideth his sheep from the . . ."
- 39 "... of life which the Lord hath promised to them that love him."
- 42 Coarse cotton drilling.
- 44 Past.
- 46 "I will give thee . . ."
- 48 "for . . . is of God," I John 4:7.
- 50 Lord (G.).
- 52 A place in Moab, Num. 21:28.
- 53 Grandfather of Saul, I Chron. 8:33.
- 55 Wooden pin.
- 56 Long narrow inlet.
- 59 South Atlantic state.
- 61 Before Christ (L.).

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This year's annual Founder's Week Conference of Moody Bible Institute to be held in Chicago, February 4 to 13 lists prominent speakers from every part of the country. From southern states there will appear Dr. Robert G. Lee, noted preacher of Bellevue Baptist Church, Memphis, and Dr. Daniel Iverson, pastor of Shenandoah Presbyterian Church, Miami. Other leaders on the program are Dr. William Ward Ayer, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, New York; Dr. John W. Bradbury, editor of Watchman-Examiner, and Dr. Homer Hammontree, well-known gospel musician.

Coach "Robbie" Back At Clinton



COACH STANLEY L. ROBINSON

By A. L. Goodrich, Publicity Director
Mississippi College Enlargement Campaign

Stanley L. Robinson, for 18 years football coach and athletic director at Mississippi College, has resumed his duties on the college campus.

Coach Robbie, as Robinson is affectionately known, enlisted in the Red Cross field service in 1943 when football at Mississippi College became a war casualty. He served in Africa, Italy and Corsica.

Upon his release from his Red Cross duties in the fall of 1945 and with no football team at Mississippi College, Coach Robinson was asked to aid in training the Baylor University football team.

Coach Robinson plans to begin immediately to work out the details for the resumption of a full intercollegiate athletic program. He will also resume a program of physical education and intramural athletics designed to interest each student at Mississippi College in some form of physical activity.

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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IS OUR HOPE FOR FUTURE LEADERSHIP

Robert E. Beddoe

Baptists believe in Christian education, but made a sad mistake when they started at the top. It is too late, in most cases, to mold and develop the student after he has entered college. This should start in the kindergarten and continue through high school. An example of my conception of Christian education is the school system of the Buckner Orphans Home.

Traveling over the South during the past fifteen months I have observed scores of huge church plants and hundreds of smaller educational buildings. It has been depressing to notice that this investment of many millions is used such a small part of the week. I have dreamed into these buildings accredited kindergartens and elementary schools, operated by individual churches and assisted, where necessary, by the state and southwide boards.

What this would mean to our cause in evangelistic opportunity, in centering the daily life of thousands of children around the churches, and in producing laity and leadership, is a most thrilling thought.

Many will say, "It can't be done: there are difficulties; we do not have the money." The answer is found in the fact that others are doing it right now. In Texas there are many accredited Catholic schools. In Mis-



REV. S. W. WAGGENER

Waggener Goes To D'Lo

Rev. S. W. Waggener has resigned the pastorate at Centreville in order to accept the work at D'Lo. The change is being made so that he can complete his college work at Mississippi College.

During Mr. Waggener's six-year pastorate the work at Centreville has made marvelous progress. The membership has grown from 175 to 300, the Sunday school attendance increased from 80 to 105, cooperative gifts increased from \$180 to \$1,000 per year and the yearly offerings (excluding the building fund) have grown from \$2,000 to \$6,000. A building fund of \$6,500 has been accumulated and plans are being made for a two-story educational building to cost approximately \$10,000.

our pastors and other leaders give the question very serious thought. In Galveston there is a Catholic high school and elementary schools, one for colored where more than half of the pupils are children from Baptist families.

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J. M. Spain Named Deacon's Chairman

11 New Deacons Elected At First Church, Jackson

We were privileged to attend the annual banquet for the deacons and their wives at the First church on Tuesday night, Jan. 8. For several years we have been a regular attendant and this year's banquet was the best yet.

J. M. Spain, prominent Jackson architect, became chairman of the deacons of the First Baptist Church, succeeding J. M. Hartfield, whose term of office expired.

Mr. Spain was vice-chairman for the past year. His new vice-chairman is T. M. Hederman, Jr.

The annual banquet was presided over by M. P. L. Love whose wit, humor and poise as a toastmaster contributed much to the evening's program.

Eleven deacons were received into the group, and were given several keen pointers by Floyd Barnes in a humorous talk, "My Observations of Deacons," both as a member and as a deacon.

The eleven new deacons recently elected are: Cecil Travis, Harvey Hedgepeth, J. H. (Buck) Newman,

North Carolina Baptists Report Gains

Raleigh, N. C.—Gains in every phase of church work during 1945 are revealed in the annual report of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention.

The report shows that there now are 2,692 Baptist churches in the state with a combined membership of 583,896, or an increase of 38 churches and 23,308 members over the previous year. There were 26,481 members received into the church during the past year by baptisms, a gain of 8,314 over 1944.

During 1945, Baptists in North Carolina gave a total of \$10,139,993.77 for all causes, an increase of \$2,390,645.70 over the previous year. Gifts to all missions, education and benevolences totaled \$2,292,892.16, an increase of \$357,021.91 over 1944. A total of \$7,847,101.61 was given for local work such as debts, buildings, pastoral activities, and operating expenses, an increase of \$2,033,623.79 over the previous year.

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After ten years as pastor of Tuscola Baptist Church, Rev. A. A. Ward has resigned the work there to take up full time at Lena. During these ten years this church grew in giving from \$2.70 per member in 1935 to \$25 per member in 1945. For five years the Sunday school has been standard. The W. M. U. has done a splendid work among the women and young people. Rev. W. W. Clark, 1220 Washington avenue, New Orleans, has been called to succeed Brother Ward. The next progressive step of this church is the erection of a pastor's home and a full time program.—Reporter.

E. E. Laird, W. H. Spillers, Fulton Fikes, Floyd Barnes, Jack Ewing, Harry Coleman, R. N. Turnbough and M. P. L. Love.

E. C. Williams, state Sunday school secretary, delivered the principal address of the evening, a splendid message on the relations which exist between deacons, members and pastor.

The retiring chairman, J. M. Hartfield, made a few remarks in closing his year of service, and introduced the new chairman, Mr. Spain, and new vice-chairman, Mr. Hederman, Jr.

As the closing feature, Dr. Hewitt was called upon for a final word to the banquetting group, with which he has worked for many years. He took advantage of the opportunity to praise the deacons for their co-operative spirit and devoted service to the church and its causes in a benedictory prayer.

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JAPANESE CHRISTIAN REFUTES CHARGE AGAINST KAGAWA

(Continued from Page One)

standing, my informant was converted in his native Japan by a Baptist missionary, and since has worked with Kagawa on many religious and moral uplift projects. Appointed by the Emperor to his present position several years ago, this official's statement that he has during that time served as "a sort of Christian lay missionary" was borne out by several native Okinawans whom I questioned in the vicinity of war-blasted Naha. He stated that, prior to the war, it was his intention to retire from civil government and devote his remaining years to teaching Christianity in Japan, but the war's pressure had delayed the sending of his successor. His family is in Japan.

Many Mourn Passing Of Bishop DeCell

Bishop J. Lloyd Decell died Tuesday, January 8, of a heart attack. He had attended to his normal duties during the morning hours and had returned to his residence, apparently in good health when he became the victim of the sudden attack. His death followed a few minutes later.

The ranking Methodist clergyman of this state and west Tennessee, the areas over which he presided, he was a native of Mississippi, having been born at Brookhaven, August 19, 1887.

He attended Union College at Barbourville, Kentucky, and Millsaps College. Both schools conferred honorary degrees upon him. The young Decell began his ministerial work in 1906 and served the following churches in the state: Osyka, Mt. Olive, Waynesboro, Centenary church in McComb, Central in Meridian, and Galloway Memorial in Jackson.

In 1938 Dr. Decell was elected to the episcopacy of his denomination, serving as bishop in Alabama and Georgia, and in 1944 coming to the Mississippi, North Mississippi and Memphis Conference.

Funeral services, conducted by Bishop Arthur J. Moore of Atlanta, were held at Galloway Memorial Methodist Church Saturday afternoon, January 12.

Surviving Bishop Decell are his widow, a son, a daughter, two sisters and two brothers.

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Institute For Associational Field Men Meets At Clarke College

Room And Board Free For Missionaries

Beginning Monday morning, January 28, the Institute for Associational Field Men will meet in three sessions daily through Friday, February first. Among the out-of-state speakers on the program are Dr. J. D. Freeman, Dr. A. E. Tibbs and Mr. J. C. Hockett. Several Mississippi pastors and missionaries will also participate on the program.

All people interested in associational work are invited to come. Missionary Kenneth G. Hall announces that room and meals will be furnished without cost to the associational missionaries.

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MRS. LEWIE WILLIAMSON

Whereas, on December 29, 1945, God in His infinite wisdom called home our beloved friend and co-worker, Mrs. Lewie Williamson, and

Whereas, she was a faithful member of Hepzibah church, serving as circle chairman in the W. M. S., teacher in the Beginner department of the Sunday school and secretary of the B. A. U. and in many other capacities wherever she was called to serve, and

Whereas, her life of faithful and consecrated service was an inspiration to all, we feel that in her passing, this church has suffered a great loss and that she will be greatly missed by all.

Therefore, be it resolved, that we express our sympathy to her bereaved family and pray God's richest blessings upon them and further

Be it resolved that a copy of these resolutions be placed on the minutes of the church, a copy sent to the family and a copy sent to The Baptist Record.

Signed:

The Members of the Hepzibah W. M. S.



Answer to Crossword Puzzle on Page 14

J. G. HOLCOMB

Peaceful and sweet—to thee—dear father,

Be this—thy well earned rest, We'll meet you there—your joys to share, When Jesus deems it best.

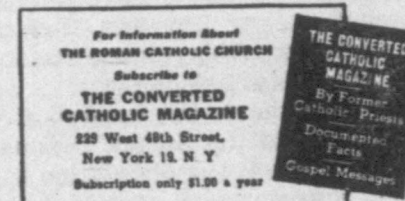
Our wounded hearts will wear a scar, No space of time could erase. 'Till one by one—we cross the bar, To meet you face to face.

And while we wait for the sunset, Life's burdens to lay down We know you'll wait by the Pearly White Gate, Adorned with a glittering crown.

We'll do our best as you'd have us do, Our grief to bravely bear. We'll carry our loss, to the foot of the Cross, And leave it—with Jesus—there.

Keep watch on the margin of the Great Divide, For we'll soon be crossing o'er To clasp your hand on Yonder Side Where partings come no more.

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Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Hight C. Moore

Lesson for January 20
THE LAWS OF A PEOPLE
Exodus 19-23

Fifty days after the exodus, the children of Israel, having journeyed about one hundred and fifty miles, arrived at Sinai. To Moses in the mountain God delivered on two tables of stone the Decalogue and dictated laws for the book of the covenant containing statutes about servants, criminals, and domestic animals; restitution for theft; damage, trespass, and loan; purity from fornication, sorcery, bestiality, and idolatry; brotherliness to strangers, widows and orphans, and the poor; patriotism to rulers and to God; justice with truth, love, and integrity; and worship with its sabbath, three great feasts, and sacrifices. The promise of the guardian crowned the commandments under the law.

Lesson Text and Outline

I. First Table: Four Commandments. Exodus 20:1-12.

II. Second Table: Six Commandments. Exodus 20:13-17.

Notes Analytical and Expository

1. Duties to God are given in the first table of the law containing four commandments in which God permitted no rival, no formality, no sacrifice, and no desecration.

(1) Submission to the sovereignty of God is required in the First Commandment. There is no room for two thrones in any life, and God must be supreme. This commandment is the mudsill of religion.

(2) Sincerity in the worship of God is required in the Second Commandment. There is the temptation to use some representation of him or some intermediary between us and him. But there is no room in our religion for the carved image or the sacred picture or saintly relic.

(3) Consistency in the service of God is required in the Third Commandment. Profanity is forbidden and so is perjury, irreverent jesting, and the like. Moreover, we take and wear and bear his name in vain when by wickedness we bring that name in disrepute before men.

(4) Conformity to the law of God is required in the Fourth Commandment. It is a most beneficent law with its demand for obedience and its promise of blessing. How simple, yet how sublime is this command! For if we keep it holy, we shall indeed remember the Sabbath day; and if we thus remember it, untold blessing will come to us individually and as a nation.

2. Duties to man are given in the second table of the law containing six commandments, widening the circle of duties from the rights of parenthood, which lay claim upon us first in point of time and of importance, to the rights of brotherhood, which protect us on the highroad of life from the grasp of greed or even the glance of envy.

(1) The right of parenthood is recognized in the Fifth Commandment which enjoins the duty of parental respect, and implies the obligation to be dutiful.

(2) The right of life is recognized in the Sixth Commandment which



Blue Mountain, Miss., Dec. 15—A vocal trio at Blue Mountain College. Left to right: Frances Gene Hannaford, Jackson; Jean McCarty, Birmingham, Alabama, and Corinne Griffin, Laurel.

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Immanuel church, Lexington, Kentucky, of which Elwyn N. Wilkinson (Mississippian) is pastor, has set a financial goal of \$52,000 for 1946. Of this goal designated funds will amount to \$12,000 and \$40,000 regular contributions. The distribution of the regular contributions is planned as follows: Current

expenses 40%, or \$16,000; Co-operative Program 30% or \$12,000; Christian Education 5% or \$2,000, and savings account 25% or \$10,000. Designated funds include a fund for a mission church in Chevy Chase; W. M. S. offerings for State, Home and Foreign Missions, Thanksgiving offering for the Orphans-Home, and a carpet fund for the church.

(3) The right of chastity is recognized in the Seventh Commandment which forbids adultery and implies the duty to be pure. Here is the divine bulwark against the desecration and overthrow of that divine institution, the family and the home.

(4) The right of property is recognized in the Eighth Commandment which forbids theft and implies the duty to be honest.

(5) The right of reputation is recognized in the Ninth Commandment which forbids false witness and implies the duty to be sincere and true. Lying, in whatever form, is an abomination; but when it is aimed at the good name of a neighbor, it is particularly obnoxious and detestable.

(6) The right of brotherhood is recognized in the Tenth Commandment which forbids covetousness and implies the duty to be unselfish. The spirit of greed is out of place in the realm of the good.

Gold in the Golden Text

I will delight myself in thy commandments, which I have loved. Psalm 119:47.

No command of God is a chain that galls or a fetter that enslaves, but rather it is a leash of liberty wherewith we are led into the abundant life. He is the Lord of love; hence "his commandments are not grievous" but good for us and good to us and good through us.

Love them, therefore; love them with a whole heart; love every one of them; love them always; love them in love to God. Then we can understand them and obey them and enjoy them and extend them.

What greater delight can there be than that of loving and knowing and doing the will of God?



MR. AND MRS. MOAK OBSERVE GOLDEN WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. Ira E. Moak, well known citizens of McComb and faithful members of the First Baptist Church, celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary, Wednesday, January 2, at their home. At the close of the prayer meeting hour, Rev. Wyatt R. Hunter accompanied by the church choir and other devoted friends went to the Moak home for a brief period of delightful fellowship in which the pastor officiated in a ceremony of renewed vows of love and loyalty. The choir, of which Mr. Moak is a member, serenaded the couple from the front porch of the home, by singing "When You and I Were Young, Maggie."

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Lexington, Kentucky: The goal for the Lottie Moon Christmas offering at Immanuel church was \$1,200. The final count showed that contributions totalled \$1,433. Elwyn N. Wilkinson, graduate of Mississippi College, the Southern Seminary, and a native Mississippian, is pastor.

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MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE ENLARGEMENT CAMPAIGN (Time Schedule) January, 1946

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2. Pay through church budget.
3. Pay through Cooperative Program.
4. Make special individual contributions.
5. Government bonds may be contributed.
6. County or association meetings completed by January 15.
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